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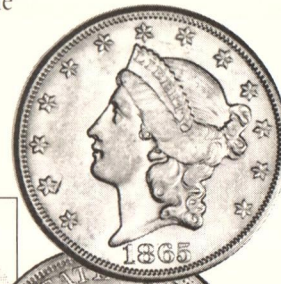
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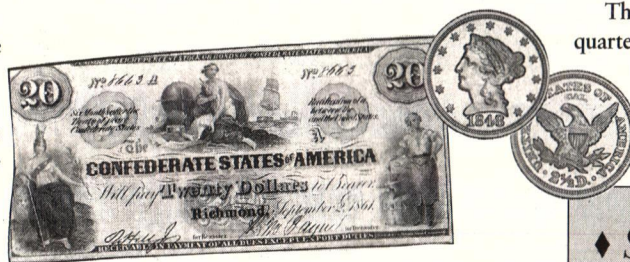


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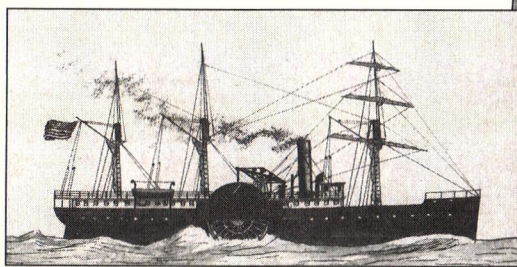
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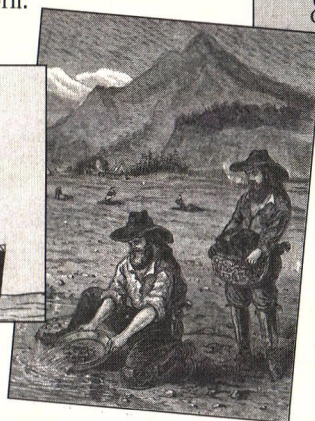
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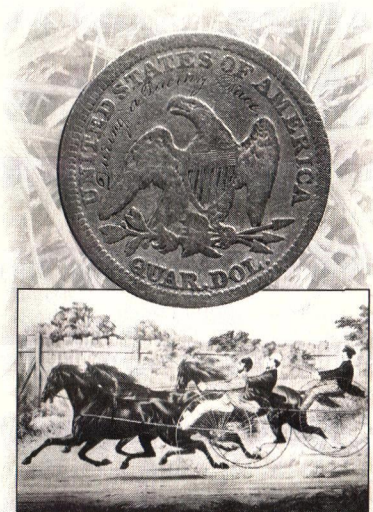
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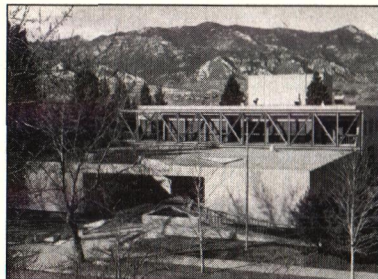
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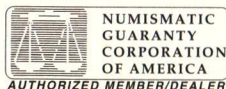
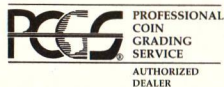
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As collectors, we know coins, paper money, tokens and medals provide endless entertainment. With the state commemorative quarters and redesigned paper money beginning to circulate, and a new dollar coin coming within a year, hobbyists truly are living in a Mint State time.

National Coin Week has been going strong for 75 years, and every year collectors and dealers find new and fun ways to celebrate. This year's theme, "Treasures in Change," offers a wonderful opportunity to focus attention on the many aspects of this fascinating hobby.

Like Dom Polimeni, president of the Bergen County (New Jersey) Coin Club and many of you, I will be addressing civic and school groups during National Coin Week. I plan to speak to students in three schools, grades 1 through 12, talking not only about my favorite topic—commemoratives—but also about circulating coinage. I will give away a roll of 90-year-old Indian Head cents and a roll of Lincoln cents from the Philadelphia, Denver and San Francisco Mints. I also plan to distribute five rolls of 80-year-old Lincoln cents and 10 rolls of Buffalo nickels from the 1920s to early '30s.

One of my favorite ways to have fun with the hobby is to examine portraits on coins and especially paper money to see if I can find "celebrity" lookalikes. For example,

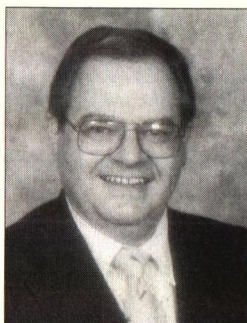
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BY ANTHONY SWIATEK

several years ago, *The Numismatist* ran a short piece about a 19th-century bank note that pictured a tiny figure who looked like Elvis Presley during his Las Vegas years. In the same vein, I recently came across several modern Austrian and Mexican bank notes

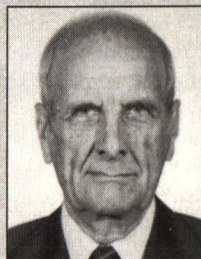
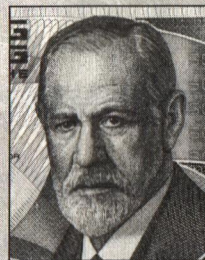
with portraits resembling numismatic luminaries Gene Hessler and Clyde Hubbard.

I hope all of you participate in National Coin Week, and express your enjoyment of our new circulating money and all aspects of the hobby. With your help, others will discover just how fun numismatics can be. •

Anthony Swiatek



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Just for fun, I watch for "lookalikes"—portraits on world currency that resemble hobby personalities. Paper money specialist and author Gene Hessler (top left) looks remarkably like Sigmund Freud on an Austrian 50-schilling note. Mexican currency expert Clyde Hubbard (bottom left) looks very much like Don Andres Quintana Roo, who appears on Mexico's 20 new pesos.

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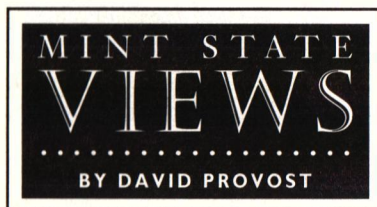
OVER THE PAST few years, the numismatic press has bemoaned the fact that interest in our hobby is decreasing. While many reasons have been offered for this decline—high prices, dishonest dealers, problems at the ANA—one that seemed to be mentioned again and again was the inability of today's coins to interest and excite young collectors (although this may change with the United States Mint's new 50 State Quarters™).

It has been reasoned that with only base-metal coins in circulation, it is a waste of time for collectors of any age to sort through their change, as no valuable collections can be built. I admit that such a conclusion probably is justified, but I have to ask: Is future profit the only motivation for becoming a coin collector?

Before I moved to North Carolina (where I'm a member of the Raleigh Coin Club), I was president of the Roxbury Coin Club in New Jersey. (I just can't get away from those "RCC" acronyms.) It was a thriving club whose meetings often attracted a half dozen or more young numismatists (YNs). I strongly believe that educating collectors is an ideal way to ensure their continued interest in the hobby. As such, I tried hard to inspire our junior members through various educational exercises.

My experiments along this line often included incentives (i.e., "bribes"). For instance, in our "Pocket Change Treasures" contest, YNs were encouraged to go through their change (and that of their parents), and bring the oldest, rarest or most valuable coins they found for "show and tell." The winner in each category received a numismatic prize valued between \$1 and \$3.

To set a good example, I began to work at completing a set of Roosevelt dimes from 1965 to date. I spent \$2 on a blue Whitman folder and started searching my pocket change for dimes. Each month, I described my progress. In about four weeks, the folder was more than half full; in two months, it was about three-quarters complete. After three months, I was missing fewer than 10 coins. I figured the days were numbered for the remaining holes. I was wrong. After about a year and a half, I still was missing five or six dimes from the late 1960s and early '70s; all but



one were from the Denver Mint.

Who would have thought that filling a little blue folder could take so long and require so many daily examinations of pocket change! It took me more than two and a half years to fill my book of Roosevelt dimes, with the last specimen—a 1971-D—finding

its way to Raleigh (and me) last November.

As I worked toward completing my dime collection, I experienced many of the things that make numismatics such a great hobby—the thrill of the search, a growing sense of accomplishment as spaces were filled, and a sense of frustration as the total number of dimes searched rose and the number of remaining holes stayed the same. I also learned that even coins with mintages in the hundreds of millions can be a bit "scarce." And I found I still get excited about finding a coin, even if it isn't worth any more than its face value. I realize that none of the coins I put in the folder are silver (though I did find a silver 1959 dime in my change during National Coin Week), and no, none of the dimes are ever going to be worth more than 10 cents (at least not in my lifetime).

Nevertheless, the project helped me rediscover my coin collecting "roots," and that, I believe, is a good thing. If you've become a bit disillusioned with the hobby lately, you might try a similar exercise. Better yet, why not attempt to assemble a set with a young person you know?

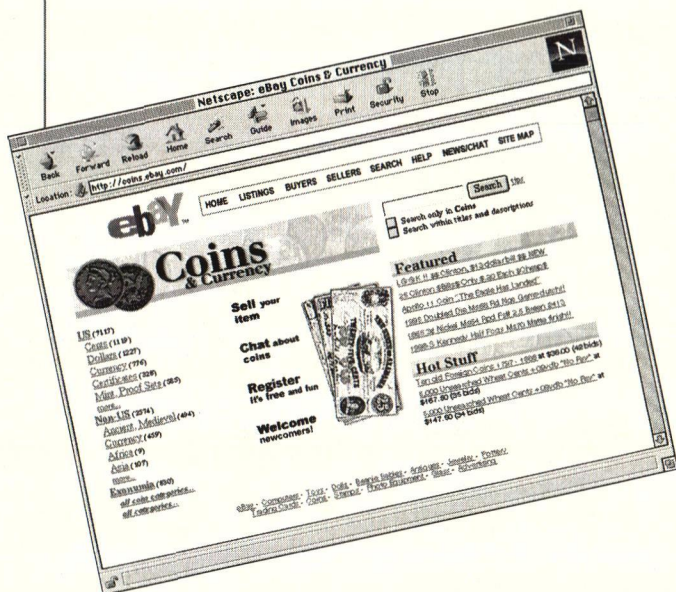
As soon as the 1999 Roosevelts show up in my pocket, I'll be planning a trip to New Jersey to show off my folder full of dimes at the next meeting of the Roxbury Coin Club. I know I'll spend more on gas and tolls than the collection is worth, but sometimes it's the principle—and the fun—that matters, not the net profit. •

David Provost is a life member of the ANA and president of North Carolina's Raleigh Coin Club. This commentary was updated from the May 1997 issue of the club's newsletter.

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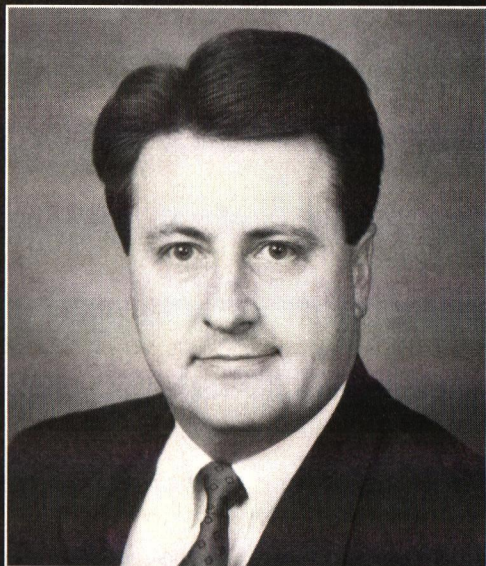
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Long-Time Member Offers Praise for the ANA

As a 23-year member, I must express my unsolicited and long overdue compliments to the ANA for its professional efforts in preserving, protecting and enhancing our endangered hobby. The ANA, composed of people like us, is not perfect, but who is?

To the Association's critics, I suggest they direct their attention and actions toward media hucksters and non-government "mints" that, in their purveyance of overpriced and misrepresented merchandise, have done more to alienate and discour-

More on Pearlman

Hooray for our side! I was overjoyed to see the return of Donn Pearlman's column in the January issue. Yup, there it is, right on the old back page. "Pearlman's People" always was enjoyable, and I've missed it. Now that it's reinstated, call me a happy reader.

Welcome back, Donn . . . and thank you to the editor.

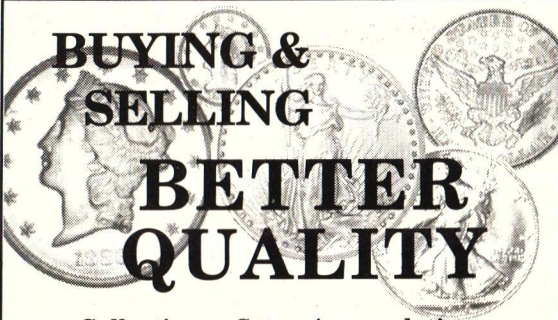
—Lee Surface, ANA 160584

age potential numismatists over the past 30 years than the sum total of all other factors combined.

I praise our ANA's work in providing exceptional membership services for only \$29 annually. We boast a finely edited magazine (the "Princess Diana" cover of the Feb-

ruary 1999 issue of *The Numismatist* was lovely) with informative reports, views, new issues and articles, including talented columnist Q. David Bowers, Ken Bressett's "Consumer Alert," club news, show calendars, Donn Pearlman's strange humor, etc. It takes me two hours to read each issue cover to cover. It's loaded with information.

The list of benefits goes on and on. Any who have visited our ANA Museum and used the Resource Center on-site or by mail understand the value of such assets. The availability of dozens of video/slide presentations from the Library, complemented by the new video "Breathing Greater Life into Coin Clubs" offered by our Representative Program, are invaluable in augmenting club programs and encouraging local membership



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in hobby organizations.

On behalf of the Phoenix Coin Club (as vice president) and the Camelback Collectibles Club (as secretary), I wish to thank the ANA Board of Governors, officers, staff and regional coordinators, with a special accolade to the editor of *The Numismatist* and her staff. We appreciate all of you for your dedicated and devoted attention to the needs of our membership, and to the benefit and welfare of all numismatists nationally and worldwide.

Robert J. "Bob" Phelan, ANA 90849

Member Seeks Reader Input on San Francisco Morgan Dollars

I am collecting information to help further my research on San Francisco silver dollars. From those readers who collect Morgan dollars, I

would appreciate responses to the following:

- 1) Your age and number of years collecting.
- 2) Number of Morgan dollars in your collection.
- 3) Number of those that were minted in San Francisco.
- 4) Date and grade of the San Francisco Morgan dollars in your collection.
- 5) Helpful references, such as interesting histories of the San Francisco Mint or its coins.

I do not need your name, just the data. Send pertinent information to me at the address below. Thank you!

Gail Koepp, ANA 177500

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Saint-Gaudens' Cornish Home a Lesson in Art and History

The article by Jason F. Kuhl in the November 1998 issue of *The Numismatist* ("Saint-Gaudens: The Artist and His Double Eagle," p. 1245) brought back memories of a visit to the National Historic Site in Cornish, New Hampshire, which features originals and replicas of much of Saint-Gaudens' work. It is worth a visit just for the idyllic setting. When combined with the exhibits of the artist's work—original drawings and models, as well as historical memorabilia—this is a place that every coin collector within reasonable traveling distance should visit.

For those individuals with a penchant for the arts (particularly sculpture), at the time I visited there was a resident sculptor, Lawrence Nowlan

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Jr., who gave freely of his time, entertaining visitors while explaining the intricacies of his art. It obviously paid off, for I bought a small reproduction of a major work of his. This was a thoroughly enjoyable visit that I hope to repeat when next I am in New Hampshire.

Dick Miller, ANA 170431

Collector Mourns Anderson's Passing

I read Burnett Anderson's obituary in the January 1999 issue of *The Numismatist* (p. 87) with much sadness. He was a good friend to me and to many other numismatists in the Middle Atlantic area. Burnett made a point of visiting as many dealers and collectors as possible at every show he attended and having a meaningful conversation with each.

He also was a frequent visitor at many of the numismatic clubs in the Washington, D.C., area. I know many numismatists will miss him!

Howard A. Daniel III, LM 934

True Numismatists Pursue More Than Coins

It is with great interest that I read Dennis J. Mercieri's article entitled "Numismatic Views of Alexander and the Seven Wonders" (January 1999, p. 43). I am fascinated by the life of Alexander the Great and have had a chance to visit many of the places he traveled through in the Middle East, but never thought about collecting coins according to the stations in his life.

Mercieri's article shows very clearly that a true numismatist does some research on the items in his or

her collection. What or who is pictured on a coin or bank note, and why? With the World Wide Web, it is much easier to get information on a variety of topics.

Numismatics is so educational and increases general knowledge. A particular coin can even give you a reason to visit a related place. Collecting is not just putting a piece in your cabinet. It goes far beyond that. If the only pleasure you get from numismatics is knowing that you own a particular coin, perhaps you are not a real collector!

Christof Zellweger, LM 4789

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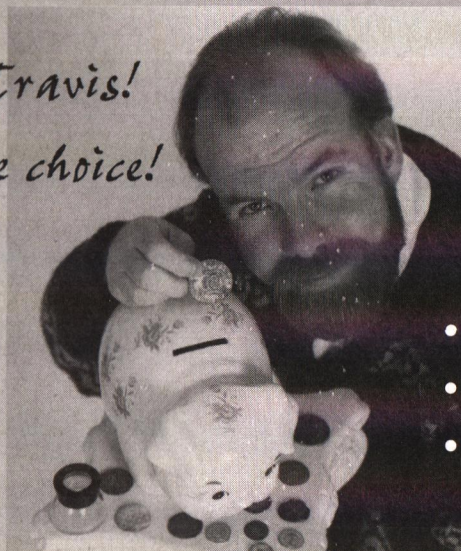


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Gar Travis is first and foremost a collector. He knows what you want from our hobby—good relations between collectors, dealers, clubs, and societies. He has always been in touch with collectors, sharing their concerns as well as their joys. If elected governor, he will strive to listen to any and all members and to be fair in all ANA dealings and deliberations.

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NEW ISSUES

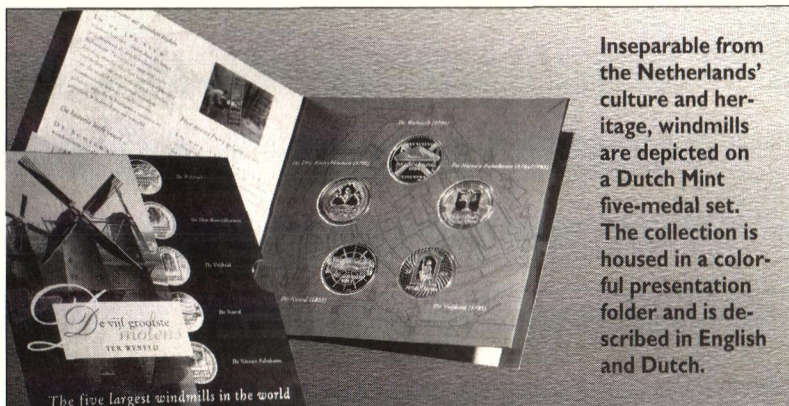
NETHERLANDS: Medal Set to Fund Windmill Reconstruction

Mention Holland, and the image of windmills immediately comes to mind. To raise funds for reconstruction of a historic windmill, *De Walvisch* ("The Whale")—a 202-year-old structure tragically destroyed by fire in 1996—the Dutch Mint has issued a five-medal set.

Titled "The Five Largest Windmills in the World," the set portrays the restored relics on the city walls of Schiedam, just outside Rotterdam. Because they were situated in the city, these windmills were built taller than usual to catch the wind; each of their six or seven floors were used for different stages of the process of milling corn and grains for bakers and distillers.

The 30mm, copper-nickel medals were designed by medallic sculptor Willem Vis. A common obverse motif is paired with five reverse designs representing the remaining Schiedam windmills. Of the 5,000 medal sets produced, 500 are earmarked for distribution outside the Netherlands.

The medal set is available for \$22.50 plus \$4 shipping and handling per order. Major credit cards are accepted; New Jersey residents should add 6-percent sales tax. Contact the Dutch Mint's North American representative, P.O. Box 1057, Clifton, NJ 07014; telephone toll-free 800/421-1866; fax 973/471-1062; or E-mail coincurin@aol.com.



Inseparable from the Netherlands' culture and heritage, windmills are depicted on a Dutch Mint five-medal set. The collection is housed in a colorful presentation folder and is described in English and Dutch.

ISRAEL: Medal Pays Tribute to King Hussein

The Israel Government Coins and Medals Corporation (IGCMC) will issue a State Memorial medal as a tribute to King Hussein of Jordan as a pivotal peacemaker in the Middle East. According to Shalom Peri, managing director of the IGCMC, "This is the first time Israel [has issued] a medal in honor of a foreign statesman. It is our obligation to commemorate King Hussein, and his contribution to the peace-making process of the Middle East, for the generations to come."

Designed by Rubin Nutels, the medal will be struck in 14kt gold (30.5mm, 17g), pure silver (50mm, 60g) and bronze (70mm, 140g), priced at \$391, \$82 and \$28, respectively. A three-piece set, including one medal of each composition, will be offered for \$479. The limited issue will be available for a short time only.

For information or to place an order, contact the Israel Government Coins and Medals Corporation, P.O. Box 7900, Jerusalem 91078, Israel; fax 011-972-2-561-2298; or E-mail medals@coins.co.il. The Hussein

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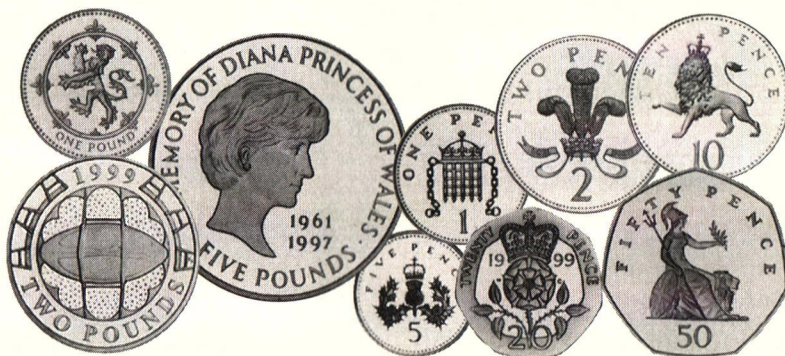
A state medal memorializing the late King Hussein of Jordan marks the first time the Israeli government has so honored a foreign statesman.

UNITED KINGDOM: Design Changes for Last Proof Set of Millennium

The 1999 United Kingdom proof set includes not only the popular Diana, Princess of Wales, £5 coin, but also a new Rugby World Cup reverse motif on the bimetallic £2 and a revived Scottish lion rampant reverse on the £1. The other six pieces in the set—the penny and 2, 5, 10, 20 and 50 pence—are unchanged.

The copper-nickel frosted proof version of the £5 is available only as part of the proof set. Mintage of the nine-coin collection is limited to 100,000 worldwide. Brilliant-uncirculated sets (BU), including all but the £5 coin, have no mintage limit.

The 1999 United Kingdom proof set can be purchased in a standard



Included in the nine-piece 1999 United Kingdom proof set are a £2 coin bearing a new Rugby World Cup reverse, a £1 bringing back the Scottish lion rampant motif, and the popular £5 issued in memory of Diana, Princess of Wales.

case for \$49.95, or a deluxe case with booklet for \$59.95. The 1999 BU set, priced at \$19.95, also can be purchased as a special wedding or baby gift set for \$23.95. Please add \$4.95 postage and handling per order.

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South African Rand Named Coin of the Year

A silver, 1-rand "Protea" bullion coin struck by the South African Mint was named the world's best 1997 coin. The "Coin of the Year" (COTY) is selected by an international panel of coinage experts in a competition sponsored by Krause Publications' *World Coin News* magazine.

The coin, which honors South Africa's women, also received "Most Artistic" honors. Mint representatives, along with other winners in the competition, will be recognized at the ANA World's Fair of Money® in Chicago, August 11-15.

The winners in the other nine categories are:

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Numismatic Collectibles Pictured in Bank Promos

First Union Corporation uses a variety of numismatic images on promotional literature for its nationwide banking chain. ANA member Michael Byler of New Jersey spotted the collector-savvy brochures and posters in a First Union bank lobby, and kindly sent some samples along to *The Numismatist*.

On the cover of the bank's "Loan Options" pamphlet is an ancient Greek piece from the 2nd century B.C. picturing Janus. Inside is shown an 1849 Mormon \$5 gold piece, as well as the Flying Eagle reverse of a Standing Liberty quarter. The front panel of a pamphlet detailing the bank's business accounts illustrates an 1837 token advertising Smith's Clock Establishment.

Interestingly, a promotional map of First Union banks in southwest New Jersey carries an ANA connection. The cover pictures a 1994 silver crown struck for Gibraltar by



Promotional material for First Union banks prominently pictures a variety of numismatic collectibles, from ancient coins to tokens and classic U.S. issues.

the Pobjoy Mint, Ltd.® The coin commemorates the 100th anniversary of Sherlock Holmes. ANA Interim Executive Director Edward C. Rochette, who is internationally recognized for his knowledge of Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's fictional sleuth, assisted in the coin's design.

Stevens-Sollman Receives ANS Award

Jeanne Stevens-Sollman, known for her highly sculptural cast medals that reflect her rural life in central Pennsylvania, was honored in February by the American Numismatic Society (ANS) with its 1999 J. Sanford Saltus Award for Signal Achievement in the Art of the Medal. The ANS cited Stevens-Sollman's work as "bold, original and sophisticated while maintaining an aura of earthy simplicity." A retrospective exhibit of her work is on display at the Society through May 16. For more information, contact Alan Stahl at the ANS, Broadway at 155th St., New York, NY 10032, telephone 212/234-3130.

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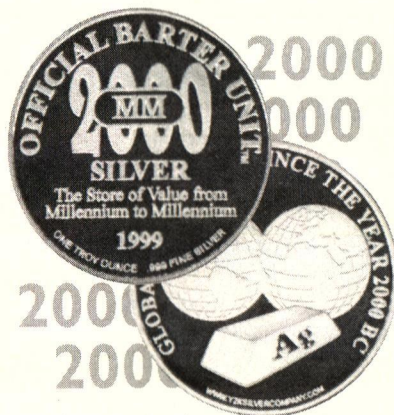
For further information, contact Kopel, Inc., 31368 Via Colinas, Suite 108, Westlake Village, CA 91362; telephone 818/991-6255; fax 818/991-6298; or visit the firm's web site at www.beepingwallet.com.

Gallery Mint Offers Fugio Cent Reproductions

The Gallery Mint Museum is offering struck copies of the 1787 Fugio cent, the latest in a series of Colonial and Early American coin reproductions. Considered by many to be the first United States cent, the historic Fugio issue has a fascinating past marked by intrigue, embezzlement and fraud. Priced at \$12, the reproduction is clearly stamped with the word "COPY" and is available from the Gallery Mint Museum, P.O. Box 706, Eureka Springs, AR 72632.

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ANA Works with Postal Service to Recover Early Copper Cent

In February, Pennsylvania collector Joyce Fink decided to submit her 1787 Fugio cent to the American Numismatic Authentication Bureau (ANAAB) for certification. ANAAB had authenticated the piece in 1995, but Fink had inadvertently misplaced

the certificate. The Early American copper coin was in Very Fine condition and valued at \$400 to \$800.

Fink slipped the coin, protected only by a plastic, 2 x 2-inch "flip," into a standard, business-size envelope, along with a copy of the original certificate. She mailed the cent (insured for \$1,000) from her local post office; from there it went to a central facility in Harrisburg. As the envelope passed through the Postal Service's automated equipment, the coin broke through one end. The envelope arrived at ANA headquarters in Colorado Springs containing nothing but the photocopy.

ANAAB contacted Fink to inform her the coin was lost. In the course of filing the claim, ANAAB personnel located the earlier certificate and sent a photographic enlargement of

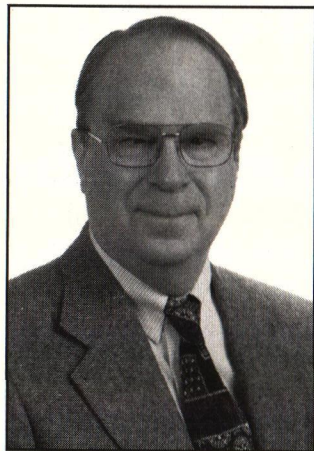


The ANA helped recover this 1787 copper cent for a Pennsylvania collector.

the coin to Nadine Solis, claims clerk at the downtown Colorado Springs branch of the U.S. Postal Service. Solis faxed the photo to Fink's local post office and the Harrisburg facility, which searched for and ultimately found the missing copper.

"I've learned the importance of careful packaging," says Fink. "Had it not been for ANAAB and the cooperation of Postal Service authorities, I never would have recovered my coin."

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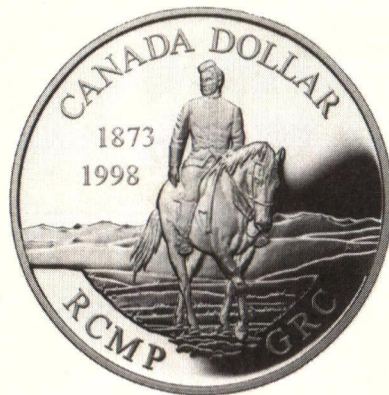


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A Friendly Wager with U.S. Grant

A two-bit coin won from Ulysses S. Grant in a bet on a horse race resurfaces after more than a century.

by *James M. Kindler*
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General Ulysses S. Grant, one of the most popular Americans of the 19th century, is depicted in this engraving by James R. Rice as he would have appeared at the time of the wager with railroad conductor George B. Clason.

RECORDS SHOW THAT 8,009,000 Seated Liberty quarters were produced in 1858 at the mints in Philadelphia, New Orleans and San Francisco. However, of the 7,368,000 quarters struck at the Philadelphia Mint, only one would become a memento of one of the most well-known and best-liked Americans of the 19th century. After a fortuitous encounter with General Ulysses S. Grant in June 1880 in Milwaukee, it was transformed from an actively circulated, common coin into a one-of-a-kind quarter with a fascinating story.

During its first 22 years, this quarter was just another ordinary silver coin of the realm, circulating during the administrations of James Buchanan, Abraham Lincoln, Andrew Johnson, Ulysses Grant and Rutherford Hayes. The year it was newly minted, 1858, our nation saw the Lincoln-Douglas debates; the birth of Theodore Roosevelt and death of Commodore Matthew Perry; the first transatlantic telegraph cable; and the Overland Mail service from Missouri to California. Minnesota was admitted to statehood, and Congress rejected the Lecompton Constitution to admit Kansas.

This same period included the Civil War and Lincoln's assassination; the James-Younger gang's emergence into folklore; the Alaska purchase; the great Chicago fire; the United States Centennial; and Custer's Last Stand. Thomas Edison and Alexander Graham Bell were busy making useful and interesting inventions, and literary giants Walt Whitman and Mark Twain were rising in prominence. America changed from a young, predominantly agrarian nation into a more mature, cohesive and increasingly industrialized society.

An ordinary coin, the 1858 quarter was used by multitudes of people in daily transactions as it made its roundabout way to Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Yet suddenly, on the warm and pleasant afternoon of June 9, 1880, this almost faceless, well-used quarter was instantly changed by

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time and chance. It was transformed from common to rare by a simple, friendly wager between famous Civil War general and former U.S. President Ulysses S. Grant, and George B. Clason of Milwaukee, an obscure conductor for the Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad. Grant lost a bet, thereby transferring some of his fame to the quarter as well as changing its ownership. The coin immediately was retired from circulation. Most likely it gained celebrity status for a short while, only to disappear for more than a hundred years until 1986, when it was sold in St. Paul, Minnesota, by one of Clason's direct descendants.

Clason was a man of foresight in that he knew what he had won. He had his lucky two-bit coin concisely inscribed, on obverse and reverse, to preserve for himself and future generations not only the memory of the moment, but also the coin's acquired fame: "Won from Gen. U.S. Grant by Geo. B. Clason At Milwaukee June 9 1880. During a Pacing Race." Because the conductor thought to inscribe the quarter as a memento, it is possible today to review the lives of two American men from totally different stations in life, as well as the day their paths crossed for a brief but thrilling moment.

Ulysses Simpson Grant

MUCH IS KNOWN about Hiram Ulysses Grant, better known throughout his adult life as Ulysses Simpson Grant because of a mix-up when he entered the United States Military Academy at West Point. In 1858, when he was 36 years old and this quarter was new, Grant was little more than a failure, even though he had graduated from West Point in 1843 and was a veteran officer of the Mexican-American War (1846-48).

After resigning from the Army in 1854, Grant failed at every civilian endeavor he attempted and soon became known as "Useless" Grant, a play on his acquired initials. Not until after the Civil War broke out did he find his place in life: on June 15, 1861, he volunteered to train the Twenty-First Regiment Illinois Volunteers. With his early victory at Fort Donelson, Tennessee, on February 16, 1862, he became known as "Unconditional Surrender" Grant. He quickly rose in rank and fame, becoming a household name from his numerous victories for the Union.

By war's end, Grant had risen to commander-in-chief of all Union



Actual Size: 24.3mm

A fortuitous encounter with General Grant transformed this rather ordinary Seated Liberty quarter into an interesting piece of Americana.

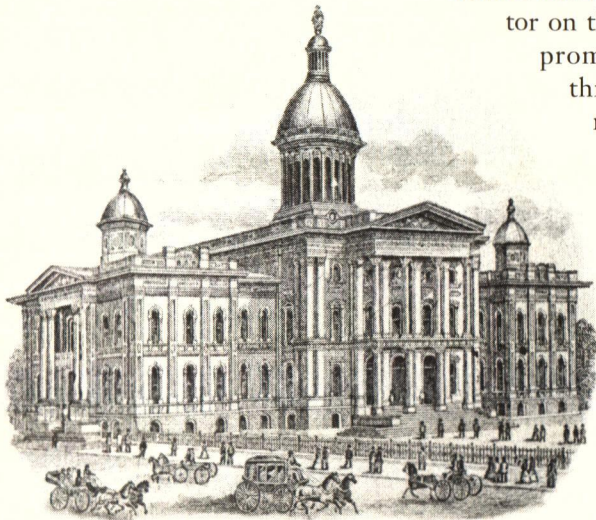
[CLASON] MIGHT HAVE been the conductor for the special train that carried former President Grant to Milwaukee on June 9, 1880.

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forces and accepted the surrender of the Confederacy from General Robert E. Lee at Appomattox Court House, Virginia, on April 9, 1865. A popular figure after the war, Grant became Interim Secretary of War during the Andrew Johnson Administration (1865-69) and was elected 18th President of the United States, serving two terms (1869-77). After his second term, he and his family took a world tour for a little more than two years (1877-79). When he returned to the United States, Grant again sought the Republican nomination for President.

George B. Clason

IN CONTRAST TO General Grant, few facts are known about George B. Clason. He was born in Belvidere, New Jersey, on June 2, 1840, and moved to Milwaukee in 1854, the year Grant resigned from the Army. In 1856, when he was only 16, Clason was hired by the Milwaukee and LaCrosse Railway Company during the administration of Byron Kilbourn. As a member of a surveying party under William R. Sill, Clason "drew the chain and marked stakes." He remained with the railroad until Autumn 1858. He took a trip to Pikes Peak and spent the following year in the Colorado mining region. In February 1860, he returned to Milwaukee and became a brakeman, baggage man and freight conductor on the Milwaukee and St. Paul Railroad. In 1862 he was promoted to passenger conductor, a position he held through the rest of his service with the railroad. He might have been the conductor for the special train that carried former President Grant to Milwaukee on June 9, 1880. Clason apparently was not a Civil War veteran and probably was not known to Grant before this happenstance meeting.



When Grant appeared in Milwaukee, a pleasant town depicted in this period engraving, it was the biggest event residents had witnessed.

The Events of June 9

ACCORDING TO THE June 10 issue of the *Milwaukee Sentinel*, the weather on the previous morning "was damp and threatening, and a drizzling rain was falling." As Grant rode in his train ("comprised [of] engine, tender, and three Pullman parlor cars"), he most likely was preoccupied with two thoughts: the Republican National Convention held in Chicago the preceding day (where his hopes for a Presidential nomination had been dashed)

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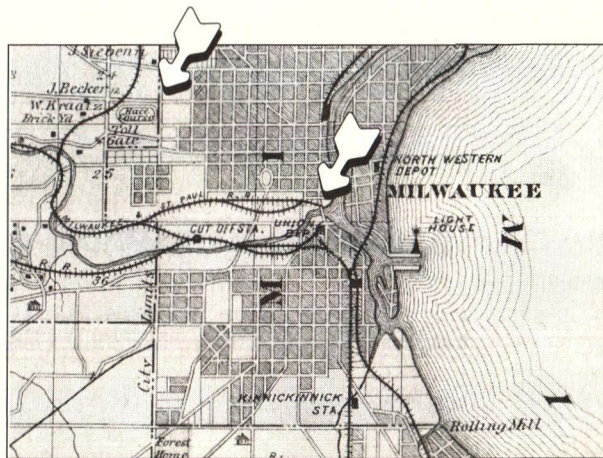
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and the immense “Re-Union,” as it was called, of Civil War veterans in Milwaukee, where he was scheduled to put in an appearance.

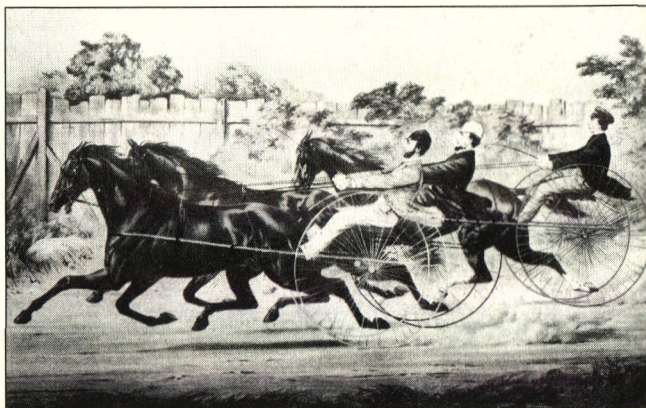
Grant’s visit to Milwaukee was the biggest event in the city’s history up to the time. General and Mrs. Grant arrived at Union Depot around 11:30 a.m. and lunched at the residence of General Charles S. Hamilton, one of Grant’s West Point classmates. Then, according to the *Milwaukee Sentinel*, “Gen. Grant and party arrived [at the Milwaukee Driving Park/Race Course] at 3 o’clock and were immediately escorted to the stand, which had been provided for them, just east of the judges’ stand. Among the party were Gens. Sheridan, Whipple, Gibbons, Forsythe, their aides-de-camp and other officers and civilians.” One of those civilians was George B. Clason. The *Sentinel* stated that “Gen. Grant appeared to enjoy the sport [of pace racing, or trotting races] as well as any, and was noticed to stake a small amount of money [the 1858 Seated Liberty quarter] with Conductor Clason, who won. The General laughingly turned over the money after the heat was decided.”

The morning rain threatened to ruin the races, but the sun broke through that afternoon. Although the competition started at 2 p.m. sharp, the pacing races were the event of the day and were scheduled last. The rain, crowds and lunch at General Hamilton’s all played a part in the Grant party’s late arrival. However, the source of the main delay probably can be found in an interview by a *Sentinel* reporter. Grant was asked, “You take a good deal of interest in racing, I believe?” To that question, the general replied, “Yes—that is in trotting. I enjoy fine trotting races, and I like to drive a good horse; but in running races I never took any pleasure.”

Clason, who probably was with Grant when he was being interviewed by the *Sentinel*, seems to have won the quarter by a fluke. The *Sentinel* recorded “that Gen. Grant had made some remarkably accurate predictions in naming the positions of horses in the heats he had just noticed.” As Grant said, “Why, I placed first and last horses in two heats, and got them just right—and one of the horses I named for last place was the favorite.” At that point, a third party (perhaps Clason) reportedly remarked, “You must have a wonderfully good judgement. It would be



An 1877 engraved map of Milwaukee shows two of the locations where the U.S. Grant party congregated on its “Re-Union” trip in June 1880: Union Depot in the center of the city and the “Race Course” northwest of downtown, where the pacing races were held.



Knowledgeable about and skilled with horses from the time he was a child, Grant enjoyed the trotting races (illustrated here by Currier & Ives). Was it a stroke of luck that Clason won their wager, or did the former President, known to be a generous man, let him win?

worth something to some people." Grant replied, "Yes, it might. In fact I have had such remarkable luck that I don't know, now that I am out of business, but I may go round the country giving points on races."

The newspaper interview appears to have taken place between the second and third pacing-race heats scheduled that day. The third heat must have been the subject of the bet.

Each heat matched up three horses, and Rowdy Boy won all three heats. In the first, Mattie Hunter and Lucy came in second and third, respectively. Even though she "appeared a little sore and lame" in the first heat, Lucy placed second in the next two heats. Evidently Grant bet that the third heat would turn out the same as the first, while Clason must have bet that it would turn out like

the second. Unfortunately, the newspaper report did not give details of the wager.

Anyone who has studied Grant knows that from childhood he was knowledgeable about and skilled with horses. That being the case, he may have let Clason win. (Grant was known to be magnanimous, kind and generous.) However, if that were not so, then Conductor Clason's win was a bit of remarkable luck. Nevertheless, the 1858 Seated Liberty quarter bet in that pacing race in 1880 is truly an interesting piece of numismatic Americana. •

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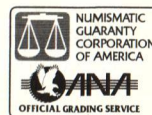
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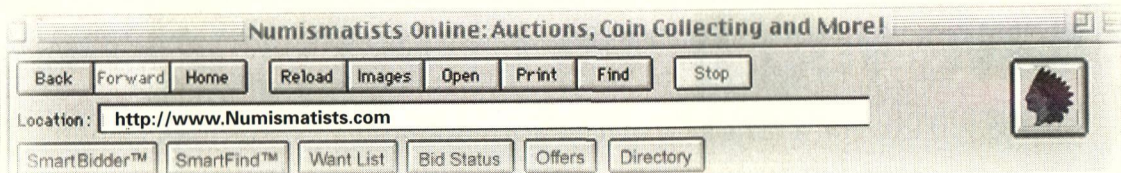
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A halfpenny token from Coventry is a numismatic reminder of a legendary protest against high taxes.

MANY YEARS AGO in Coventry, England, so the legend goes, a lone dissenter rode through the streets demonstrating against heavy taxes. The protest came about because of an unusual pact between two prominent citizens—a husband and wife known for founding and endowing a nearby Benedictine monastery.

It seems the woman pleaded with her husband to reduce the taxes under his control. We don't know if her unusual offer was made seriously or in jest. No matter—he took her up on it. He would lower the taxes if she would ride naked through the streets.

Before mounting her horse, she ordered the curious citizens to remain indoors and not look as she passed by, covered only by her long hair. There was only one report of anyone failing to go along with the order—a tailor, who was struck blind after sneaking a peek.

Things haven't changed much since Lady Godiva—wife of Leofric, Earl of Mercia—took her famous ride almost a thousand years ago. As April 15 rolls around each year, we all tend to grumble about taxes due to federal, state and local governments. And as long as there are taxes, there will be tax protesters.

Many numismatists have in their collections a specimen of the Lady Godiva halfpenny, which was struck in Coventry some 200 years ago. But unlike the original lady, no restrictions have been placed on viewing these copper tokens. Any time a collector feels the urge, he can take out the half-dollar-sized token, gaze upon Lady Godiva on horseback and let his imagination run free. There's no danger he'll suffer the same fate as the impulsive tailor—now remembered as "Peeping Tom."

by Marilyn A. Reback
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Not Actual Size

Lady Godiva (c. 1040-80) is depicted on a copper 1793 halfpenny from Coventry. The reverse carries an elephant and castle, the arms of the city.

A graduate of the State University of New York at Binghamton, Marilyn Reback is senior editor of THE NUMISMATIST and has been a member of the ANA staff since 1985. This article is based on her award-winning script for the ANA's MONEY TALKS radio program.

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National Coin Week's Diamond Anniversary

NUMISMATIC HISTORY

Take a trip through 75 years of numismatic history and learn how American society impacted the hobby—and vice versa.

by Richard Kelly
ANA 76384

THE AMERICAN SCENE in the 1920s provided an interesting setting for the introduction of "Coin Week." It was a time of great prosperity, yet many ordinary citizens did not share in the wealth. The era produced great technological advancement and modernization, yet only 10 percent of the rural population had electricity. Teapot Dome still was brewing in the courts, Calvin Coolidge won reelection as President and radios in 2½ million homes stirred the imagination.

Coin Week Becomes a Reality

IT WAS IN this socio-economic climate that Julius Guttag's dream of creating "Coin Week" came to fruition. He set the wheels in motion by writing a letter to the editor of *The Numismatist*, which appeared in the November 1923 issue:

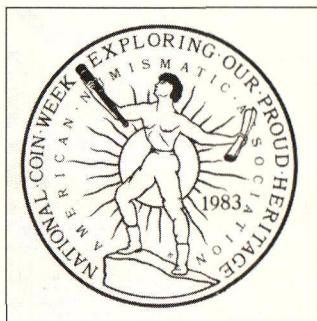
It is my opinion that it would be a very good plan to have a "Coin Week" each year. My idea is to have, say, the first week in February set aside as "Coin Week," and I think the dealers throughout the country should form an association, which could obtain funds to carry on an extensive, nationwide advertising campaign in magazines, newspapers, etc., during that week. Dealers and collectors alike would be stimulated, and instead of interesting and starting one collector here and there we would find new collectors by the hundred[s]. In fact, I think such a "drive" would mean a new era for numismatics.

The first observance of Coin Week (CW) in 1924 met with economic obstacles. The American public had become enamored with symbols of



Not Actual Size

In 1974 on the 50th anniversary of National Coin Week, President Richard M. Nixon proclaimed the numismatic event a national observance.



The logo for the 1983 observance of National Coin Week promoted the theme "Exploring Our Proud Heritage."

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The ANA produced this medal in 1985 for presentation to National Coin Week participants.

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THE AMERICAN PUBLIC had become enamored with symbols of success . . . CW sponsors really had to compete for America's discretionary dollar.

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success, and any extra income often was earmarked for the latest modern convenience or investment trend. A suburban home was a top priority for many. With the price of a Ford Model T at \$290, a new car also was high on the family wish list. CW sponsors really had to compete for America's discretionary dollar.

On CW's first anniversary celebration in 1925, the country's three minting facilities (Philadelphia, Denver and San Francisco) were churning out millions of new coins of all denominations (except the half dollar, half eagle and eagle). Four commemoratives also were issued that year, beginning with the somewhat controversial Stone Mountain Memorial half dollar. (Apparently some Northerners were angered by the portrayal of two Confederate generals on the obverse.) The Stone Mountain piece was followed by the Lexington-Concord Sesquicentennial, California Diamond Jubilee and Fort Vancouver Centennial half dollars.

Tough Times

COIN WEEK WAS not observed from 1928 to 1938 because of the nation's dire economic situation and consequent recovery efforts. The infamous stock market crash of 1929 marked the end of prosperity and a carefree national consciousness. The crash revealed the economy's intrinsic weakness and highlighted the uneven distribution of the enormous amount of goods that had poured out of the factories in the '20s. The nation slid into a major economic depression.

The only things in abundance in the early '30s were hopelessness and despair. Many Americans actually died of starvation. By 1936 the country was struggling toward recovery through federal legislation, hard work and the will to survive. Ironically, it was during the Great Depression that individuals began to worry about how to spend their newly acquired leisure time (the result of new, modern conveniences or, simply, unemployment). In fact, 450 books dedicated to the subject of "leisure" were published in this decade. The new board game Monopoly™ gained great popularity. Millions of people "invested" their nickels in pursuit of immediate gratification from a jukebox or pinball machine. But of greater significance to the numismatic community were the thousands of individuals who took up the hobby of coin collecting.

On what would have been CW's 10th anniversary in 1934, Whitman Publishing Company sold a "pennyboard," a cardstock holder for Lincoln cents, for only 25 cents. Introduced at just the right time, these coin

THE NUMISMATIC TREND in the '40s was to search pocket change for "keepers." Lincoln cents . . . continued to be a favorite among collectors.

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boards opened up a new collecting market. According to David Lange in his *Complete Guide to Lincoln Cents*, the boards were sold in toy stores and novelty shops, and made "even the most disinterested person aware of the fact that some coins were worth more than face value."

Five years later, "Coin Week" officially became known as "National Coin Week," not long before the country faced yet another threat—world war. Citizens rallied like never before to assist the common cause. Coinage, especially the Lincoln cent, was minted at an all-time high rate. In 1944 the Philadelphia Mint produced 1.5 billion pieces—more than double the output of the previous year. The three mints combined stamped out an average 62 cents per second, in contrast to 10 cents per second in 1939. The demand for domestic and foreign coinage increased tremendously toward the end of the war.

An Era of Affluence

THE NUMISMATIC TREND in the '40s was to search pocket change for "keepers." Lincoln cents—because of their general accessibility—continued to be a favorite among collectors. Attending coin club meetings during the war years and shortly thereafter became a popular pastime. Clubs were very much a

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The wide distribution of Whitman "pennyboards," advertised here in the March 1942 issue of *The Numismatist*, helped promote the hobby.

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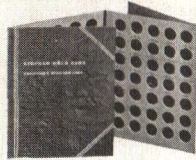
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A Half Dime with a Dot

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The appearance of a dot below the date on an 1853 Seated Liberty half dime “with arrows” causes one expert to revisit the mystery of such marks on coinage.

WITH VARIETY COLLECTING coming into vogue in the last decade, it would seem that almost everything that could be discovered has been discovered. Yet every time an authenticator sits down to attribute a batch of varieties, new ones—and sometimes new mysteries—reveal themselves.

A coin recently submitted to me for evaluation by Linda Hagopian of Michigan falls into the latter category and deserves a closer look. It is an 1853 “with arrows” half dime and has what appears to be a dot deliberately placed between the date (at the base of the “5”) and the rim denticles.

This coin reopens the question of why dots have been placed on coins. Authors Leroy Van Allen and A. George Mallis, in their *Comprehensive Catalog and Encyclopedia of Morgan and Peace Dollars* (the “VAM” book), state that some silver dollars struck by the Philadelphia Mint in 1884 featured a small or large dot on both obverse and reverse next to the designer’s initial “M” (for George Morgan). They indicate that in prior years, small dots were placed on coins to indicate changes in design and that this likely was the case with the 1884 dollars. The size of the date on the 1884 dollar was changed, offering one possible reason for the obverse dot. However, the authors acknowledge there is no apparent reason for the dot on the reverse, since no changes were made in the design. They also note that these dots are known only on Philadelphia issues.

Dots have appeared on Canadian coins as well, specifically the 1936 1-, 10- and 25-cent pieces of George V. In 1937, while new coinage was being prepared for the king’s successor, George VI, an emergency issue of coins dated 1936 was ordered. These were marked with dots on the reverse at the 6 o’clock position. Although mintage of the cent and dime was reported to be more than 870,000, only a handful are known today.

by Ken Potter
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Actual Size: 15.5mm

Beginning in 1853, arrows were placed on either side of the date on half dimes, dimes, quarters and half dollars to denote a reduction in weight.

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IT IS POSSIBLE that after the date was punched into the obverse die for the 1853 "with arrows" half dime, the engraver forgot to remove the dot . . .

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To date, only one 1853 "with arrows" half dime has been documented with a dot below the "5" in the date. Did the Mint place it there deliberately? If so, why?

KEN POTTER

Most of these are "specimen strikes," leading some to believe that circulating coins either were not produced or subsequently were melted.

As far as the 1853 U.S. "with arrows" half dime is concerned, there are several possible explanations for the added dot. First, it may indicate a reduction in weight compared to the earlier 1853 "no arrows" half dimes. Perhaps the Mint felt the dot adequately denoted this change, but quickly found it to be insufficient and added arrows.

The VAM book presents convincing evidence that "dash index marks" were used on a number of Morgan dollars dated 1879-86 to ensure correct positioning of the date. Walter Breen and other numismatists also have noted that dots at

the center of various coins (such as United States half cents and large cents) were used to "locate" the stationary end of a compass so that circular guidelines could be drawn to aid in the proper orientation of lettering. As such, it follows that "locator dots" may have been used on other denominations to help center the date below the central design. It is possible that after the date was punched into the obverse die for the 1853 "with arrows" half dime, the engraver forgot to remove the dot, or that normal die "lapping" (the process of smoothing out irregularities, much like leveling a surface with an orbital sander) failed to eradicate the dot because it was sunk too deeply.

It also has been suggested that in 1875 the Mint used a dot (or other marker) to identify dies in an effort to catch an employee thought to be striking and stealing Indian Head cents. Was this strategy used even earlier, perhaps on the 1853 "with arrows" half dimes?

Clearly, I don't have the answer to the mystery of the 1853 "with arrows" half dime with dot. If nothing else, it's a nice variety that just might open up a new area of research. Readers having further information or ideas about why dots may have been placed on this or other United States coins are urged to contact me. •

Ken Potter attributes doubled dies for the Combined Organizations of Numismatic Error Collectors of America (CONECA) and the National Collectors Association of Die Doubling. He also maintains his own "Variety Coin Register," which lists observed varieties of United States and world coins. Readers can write to Potter at P.O. Box 760232, Lathrup Village, MI 48076-0232.

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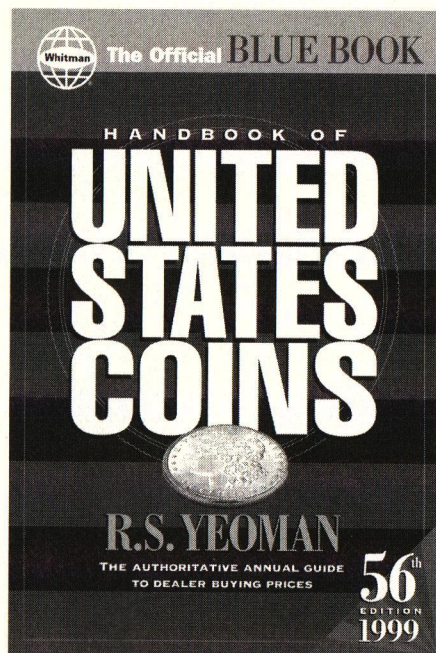
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The Source of Doubling on a Bulgarian Coin

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Discovering doubling on some, but not all, elements of an 1882 Bulgarian 1-lev coin spurs a young collector to find out where and how the error occurred.

MANUFACTURING INCONSISTENCIES ARE not limited to United States coinage. Foreign coins also are subject to errors that occur during the minting process, including incorrect planchets, repunched letters or numbers, or doubling. Such was the case with a recent coin purchase: an 1882 Bulgarian 1 lev cataloged as M4 in the *Standard Catalog of World Coins* by Chester Krause and Clifford Mishler.

Since the coin was in a paper envelope when I bought it, I did not examine it in detail right away. When I did have time to take a closer look, I found that the coin did not appear to have seen much circulation (its edge lettering, for example, still was intact). It was heavily toned, as would be expected for a coin that had been stored in paper.

The obverse featured a crowned coat of arms, surrounded by a legend in Bulgarian indicating the issuing authority. The reverse bore the denomination and date within a wreath. Studying the reverse, I noticed doubling on the four letters and the numeral in the denomination, as well as on the four digits in the date. In each case, the overlying digit or letter was shifted upward, toward the top of the coin, and both layers of digits in the date were visible. However, I could find no doubling within the wreath design.

Many types of doubling are commonly observed on United States and foreign coins:

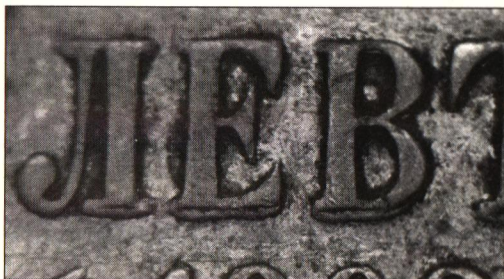
- “Worn die doubling” occurs when die wear creates an “orange peel” effect on letters and numbers.

by Akio Lis
J 160456



Actual Size: 23mm

The 1882 Bulgarian 1-lev coin had seen little circulation, and it was toned from storage in a paper envelope.



Careful examination of the denomination and date on this 1882 Bulgarian 1-lev coin reveals doubling on the letters and numerals. The fact that this is not the case with the branches and other details of the wreath suggests the use of multiple hubs.

J.T. STANTON

- “Double struck” coins are created when a planchet is struck twice by the die, with the image of the second strike obliterating that of the slightly off-line first strike, resulting in a flattened “shadow” around the overlying image.
- “Mechanical doubling” results when some part of the coin press independently shifts while the coin is being struck, resulting in a flat, shelf-like underlying image.
- “Hub doubling” occurs when two impressions of a hub are needed to produce a die, and either the die shifts relative to the hub or a second hub is used for the second impression, producing overlapping images.
- “Repunched dates and legends” are created when a letter or number is re-stamped into a die in the wrong position, leaving overlapping images.

After examining the doubling on the Bulgarian 1-lev coin, I determined that the observed minting error was the so-called “Class III/Dual-Design Hub Doubling,” in which doubled letters and numbers were created by the use of two different hubs in slightly different positions.

I concluded that the die was made using one hub for the date and denomination, and a second for the wreath design. In an April 1997 article in *Coin World*, numismatic author/researcher R.W. Julian inferred such use of multiple hubs—each bearing a part of the design—for coins produced in Russia. Julian theorizes that this procedure may have been employed to heighten security while the hubs were being transported between Russian mints.

Therefore, my next question was, where was this 1882 1-lev coin produced? The piece was part of the first coinage series issued after the principality of Bulgaria was created by the 1879 Treaty of Berlin, which placed it under the suzerainty of Turkey and protection of Russia. The coinage series included various denominations in copper and silver.

According to the *Standard Catalog of World Coins*, Bulgarian coins were struck in Berlin, Germany; Birmingham, England; Budapest and Körmöcbánya (Kremnica), Hungary; and Paris and Poissy, France. Each identified their product with an appropriate mintmark. In addition, although the Birmingham Mint was listed as the source of the bronze coins in this series, the catalog offered no information as to the source of the silver or gold pieces. The puzzle of where this coin was made would have remained unsolved if not for a fortuitous discovery.

At the time I was researching this error piece, I was in

the midst of preparing an overview of Bulgarian coinage since medieval times. As part of my research for this work, I went through various numismatic magazines in my library that were part of incomplete sets and/or had no subject index. In an old issue of the British journal *Coins Digest*, I happened on an article by Kiril Nedeltchev, "Freedom Coins of Bulgaria," that provided a solution to the mystery of where the silver coinage of the 1881-85 series was made.

According to Nedeltchev, a new Bulgarian monetary system, based on the lev, was created by the Law of June 4, 1880. Bronze coinage in denominations of 2, 5 and 10 stotinki was struck at the Birmingham Mint in 1881. Silver 50 stotinki, and 1-, 2- and 5-lev coins were struck at the St. Petersburg (Russia) Mint from 1882 to 1885.

Thus my 1-lev error coin was minted at St. Petersburg, reinforcing Julian's theory that the use of multiple hubs for different portions of the coin motif was common practice at the Russian mint. I found no evidence that this was done for security reasons or for the production convenience afforded by standardized design elements, such as the wreath.

My investigation of this Bulgarian error coin also yielded practical observations on numismatic research. Scholarly insight into the subject of foreign coins requires study beyond standard catalogs or listings. To maximize the chance of finding information, a numismatic library should not be limited to books, but also should contain journals and even auction catalogs.

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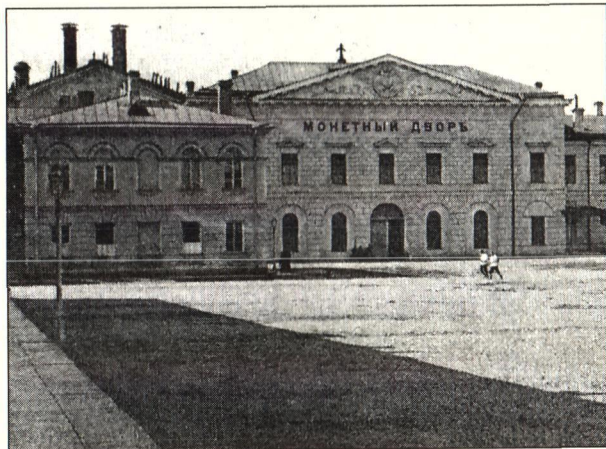
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In the late 19th century, the Russian mint at St. Petersburg produced silver coinage for Bulgaria.



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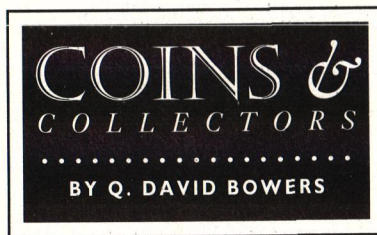
Changes in Circulating Coins

In the '70s, silver was fading rapidly from the coinage scene. The last, standard, 90-percent-silver coins had been struck in 1964, with some silver clad half dollars issued through 1970. By 1971, however, all coins minted for circulation were totally devoid of silver. At this time, a new dollar arrived on the scene, but obviously it could not be called a "silver" dollar.

Morgan and Peace dollars, once readily available for face value at banks and frequently used at casino gaming tables, virtually disappeared from circulation in the mid '60s. The public did not seem at all concerned, probably because silver dollars rarely were seen in daily commerce anyway. And ever since the Kennedy half dollar made its debut in 1964, half dollars had almost disappeared as well. (One of the great mysteries of modern times—in the same category as "where do all the paper clips go?" and "what *does* the dryer do with all those socks?"—is "where *are* all the hundreds of millions of Kennedy half dollars?")

Well, a major shift in consumer use began in the mid '60s, and the Washington quarter became the largest, regularly used coin in circulation. In due course, the quarter became the coin of choice for vending

machines—and even more dramatically in the '80s, for video-arcade games and entertainment.



The "Not Quite Silver" Dollars

Meanwhile, to fill the need for silver dollars for slot machines and gaming tables in Las Vegas and Reno in the mid to late '60s, a company known as General Numismatics Corporation began producing large, nickel-alloy and composition discs. This forward-looking company, established and developed by marketing genius Joseph Segel, soon changed its name to "The Franklin Mint."

While The Franklin Mint dollar "tokens" adequately bridged the gap, what *really* was needed, according to the "experts," was a good American dollar. United States Mint Chief Engraver Frank Gasparro produced what became known as the "Eisenhower" dollar. Regular examples for gaming-table and limited-circulation use were made of copper-nickel clad metal, while special silver strikes were minted to sell at a premium in numismatic circles.

Eisenhower dollars were struck in 1971-74 and again in 1976-78. The 1976 coinage was part of the Bicentennial "redesign." Quarter dollars, half dollars and dollars were issued with the dual date "1776-1976" and given special commemorative re-

verses. Most authorities listed the quarter reverse (featuring a colonial drummer boy) as the most attractive of the designs. However, beauty was in the eye of the beholder, and opinions varied.

In 1979 a new dollar design was created—the "mini dollar" depicting Susan B. Anthony. Again, the designer was Chief Engraver Frank Gasparro. However, the Anthony dollar became a political football. There was much complaining about the piece in the popular press, mostly because it was too easily confused with the quarter dollar.

Public opinion notwithstanding, Susan B. Anthony dollars were and still are popular with the collecting community. The series proved to be a short one, however, with examples struck at the three mints (Philadelphia, Denver and San Francisco) for just three years—1979-81.

Coin Dealers (Uncle Sam Included)

In the meantime, the Treasury Department in Washington, D.C., had in its possession about 2.9 million Carson City silver dollars plucked from the great Treasury release of 1962-64 and scheduled for sale to the public. Over the next few years, the General Services Administration (GSA) distributed these coins to collectors and other interested parties.

During the disbursement process, President Richard M. Nixon stated that such coins were a "good investment." This raised the hackles of a number of dealers and hobbyists who had been chided for saying coins were a good investment. How could the President promote numismatic investment while private-

sector claims and advocacy were challenged? Nonetheless, the government in essence took on the role of rare-coin dealer for a few years and marketed these new dollars directly to the general public, charging hefty premiums.

WorldWide Coin Investments, run by John B. Hamrick Jr. and Warren E. Tucker of Atlanta, Georgia, generated a great deal of attention in 1972 by purchasing such formidable rarities as the 1913 Liberty Head nickel, 1894-S dime and 1804 silver dollar. WorldWide was the first professional rare-coin dealership to consolidate its records in a computerized database on its own premises. Stock in the company was publicly traded. I recall visiting the firm's offices and being totally awed by the huge Burroughs computer.

In 1972 James Halperin—owner of

Jim's Coin Shop—worked as a dealer in Cochituate Center, Massachusetts. Later on, Halperin became involved in the development of several other businesses, including New England Rare Coin Company and, more recently, Heritage Rare Coin Galleries.

In New York City, Aaron Feldman was busy promoting the collecting of out-of-print coin books; Stack's was occupied with retail sales and auctions; and New Netherlands Coin Company was fading into its sunset years, never attaining its former glory after John J. Ford Jr.'s departure in 1971. Tony Terranova, Herb Tobias, Max Kaplan, Neil Berman, Donald Brigandi, Richard Picker and others were active. There were *many* other fine, resourceful dealers in New York at this time, but limited column space prevents listing them all.

In other regions, Paramount, Kagan's, Joe Flynn, Rarcoa, Charles Litman, Dan Brown, Doug Weaver, Jess Peters and many other dealers enjoyed good business. Many were members of the Professional Numismatists Guild, which was experiencing rapid expansion.

Way Out West

Also in 1972, Ronald Gillio announced the opening of a new coin and antique store in Santa Barbara, California. Experiencing many transitions in the progress of his numismatic career, Gillio kept moving up—to the point that he currently stages several conventions each year in Southern California (the Long Beach Coin and Collectibles Expo) and conducts business on an international scale, concentrating primarily on the Orient. During a recent trip to the West Coast, a dealer said to me, "Everybody likes Ron Gillio." Coming from one of his competi-

tors, I thought this was a particularly fine tribute.

The Los Angeles area was a beehive of dealer activity. Superior Galleries entered the auction arena in a big way and staged several important sales. Among its clients was Jerry Buss, owner of the L.A. Lakers basketball team, who made headlines by purchasing several famous rarities. "Coin-A-Rama City" was a mecca for collectors and dealers who liked to "talk coins" and trade. Steve Markoff and his companies, including A-Mark and Western Numismatics, set the numismatic world on its ear with its dazzling purchase of the Redfield Hoard of silver dollars for over \$7 million.

A little anecdote concerning Steve Markoff might be appropriate. In the early 1970s, he purchased a splendid, gem Proof specimen of the MCMVII (1907) Ultra-High-Relief \$20 gold piece. He offered it for sale, and I agreed to buy it. He arrived at my office with both the coin and his father. "I told my Dad that if I ever sold a coin for more than \$50,000, he could see me do it," he explained.

Also in Southern California, such professionals as Barry Stuppler, Joel Rettew, Steve Deeds, Bob Hughes, Tom Wass, Jack Klausen, Herman Engelhardt, Harlan White, Ron Downing, David Hall and Malcolm Varner—to list but a few—were part of the active commercial scene. The market for numismatic literature also was thriving, and George Kolbe, Jack Collins and John Bergman were active in that area.

A Personal Perspective

In Los Angeles, Bowers and Ruddy Galleries had its share—and more—of important collections consigned to auction during the decade. (In 1982 the company was renamed

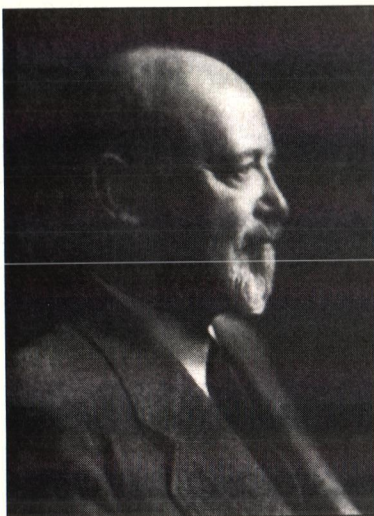


Dealer Ron Gillio's expertise and love of the hobby led him to branch out into the international coin business, especially in the Orient, as well as organize several numismatic conventions each year in Long Beach, California.

Bowers and Merena Galleries and relocated to New Hampshire.) Of course, I could go to great lengths relating the firm's numismatic activities in the '70s, but I'd rather make a few personal remarks instead.

Every once in a while, a reader will ask me, "Why don't you use your column to tell readers about your business? It would be interesting to learn the behind-the-scenes stories of how you handled the Garrett, Norweb, Eliasberg and other collections."

My answer to this is that I let our catalogs and paid advertisements speak for company philosophy and assets. This column, while not off-limits to my business activities, is certainly not a platform in this regard. My own love affair with numismatics is mainly with the actual coins, tokens, medals and paper money.



John Work Garrett (pictured) built upon the incredible collection assembled by his father, T. Harrison Garrett. Many of his numismatic holdings were cataloged by the author in 1979-81.

While I enjoy the business aspects, the fine people I have met and the great collections we have handled, I find great enjoyment in things that have no commercial basis at all. For example, several days ago I was excited to find a photograph of the Old Swedes Church in Delaware—the same building pictured on a 1936 commemorative half dollar.

I suppose if I had to do everything with profit in mind, my actions would be different. How sad it is when people cannot follow their hearts. This really hit home when I contemplated the impeachment proceedings in the Senate. Few senators (or other career politicians) dared cast party propaganda or partisanship aside and state their true, personal opinions. More on the exciting decade of the 1970s next month. •

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Colonel Green Used His Wealth for Collecting

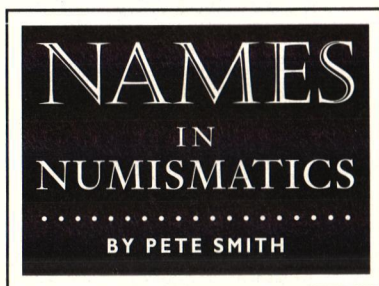
ASSEMBLING A FINE coin collection requires great patience or unlimited resources, and Colonel Edward Howland Robinson Green was not noted for his patience. Born on August 22, 1868, "Ned" Green could afford anything he wanted. He was the son and heir of Hetty Green, known alternately as the "richest woman in America" and the "witch of Wall Street." Texas Governor O.B. Colquitt gave Green the honorary title "Colonel" in 1910.

Green had a lame right leg and was susceptible to falls and injury. His mother took him to free public clinics for treatment, leaving when doctors—recognizing her—refused to treat Ned at no charge. As the result of illness and inadequate care, Green lost his leg in 1888.

In September 1891, Green's lodge brothers took him to Chicago's red-light district in search of someone who would accept his deformity. There he met Mabel Harlow. Green continued to visit Mabel on occasion and later set her up as his mistress. He proposed marriage to Mabel in 1916, 25 years after their introduction and a month after Hetty's death. (Green had promised his mother that he would not marry without her approval.)

Green knew rich people had yachts, and he wanted one for his honeymoon. In 1916, however, shipbuilders were busy constructing replacements for the ships the Germans were sinking, so no one had time to build a boat worthy of the millionaire. He had to settle for a used vessel, the *United States*, a steamship built to sail the Great

Lakes. At 215 feet, it was not large enough for Green, so he had it cut through the middle and 40 feet



added to its length, making it the largest, most expensive private yacht in the world. Green purchased the ship for \$1 million and spent another \$100,000 to lengthen it. It accommodated four launches: *Alaska*, *Hawaii*, *Antilles* and *Philippines* (Green thought of his ship as the United States and its possessions).

On the ship's inaugural cruise from New England to Galveston, Texas, Green made a disappointing discovery. His cork leg was incompatible with the ship's rolling deck. He discovered that he hated sailing.

Early on the morning of August 21, 1919, the anchored *United States* swung with the wind and struck a submerged rock. Its hull was damaged and filled with water. It listed to starboard and was lost. The *United States*, with a draft of 15 feet, sank in 16 feet of water!

The disaster did not dampen Green's enthusiasm for spending money on luxuries. He bought a set of 1913 nickels from his favorite coin dealer, Wayte Raymond, and held them until his death. Previously, the five nickels had been exhibited by Samuel W. Brown at the

1920 ANA convention. Nine years later, the set was offered by Philadelphia stamp dealer August Wagner for \$2,000. It passed to Stephen K. Nagy, then to Raymond and Green.

Texas dealer and promoter B. Max Mehl advertised extensively to buy 1913 Liberty Head nickels, knowing full well that none were available. His magazine ads offered to "pay up to ten thousand dollars" for a specimen. Green also may have placed some ads for his own amusement. Upon his death, his 1913 nickels went to St. Louis coin dealer Burdette Johnson, who broke up the set in 1942.

Green's philatelic collection was one of the finest in the world, second perhaps only to that of King George of England. He bought some dealers' entire stocks. His disor-



When Colonel E.H.R. Green died in 1936, his coin collection was valued at \$5 million, and his stamp collection at \$3.5 million.

ganized duplicates kept many rarities out of the hands of other collectors, who accused him of being a hoarder.

For \$20,000 he bought a sheet of the "inverted Jenny" stamp, perhaps the equivalent of a 1913 Liberty Head nickel. The philatelic rarity was discovered on May 13, 1918, when Mr. W.T. Robey went into the New York Avenue branch of the post office in Washington, D.C., to purchase a sheet of a hundred air-mail stamps for \$24. About the same time, he and the clerk noticed that the airplane on the stamp was printed upside-down. The clerk immediately snatched up the three unsold sheets with the error, and Robey walked out with the only known examples that escaped to collectors.

Robey sold the sheet to Philadelphia stamp dealer Eugene Klein for

\$15,000. At the time, it was not known if more might appear on the market. Klein contacted Green, who bought the sheet. The error soon became known to collectors around the country, and demand was high. Green wrote the position number on the back of each stamp in pencil then broke up the sheet. He retained the choice positions, including the center row.

Green enjoyed buying things only a rich man could afford. Between 1930 and 1936, he purchased jewelry worth more than \$10 million, and the managers who inventoried his estate found small bins of loose diamonds, emeralds, rubies and other gems. His coin collection was valued at \$5 million, and his stamp collection at \$3.5 million.

In addition to coins, stamps and

jewels, Green collected pornography. His collection of pornographic films may have been the world's largest, although such information rarely is shared publicly.

Another "collection" comprised a group of attractive, young ladies Green supported. He invited several to stay at his estate and paid for their enrollment at Wellesley. Only one lasted more than a semester, however. Without the benefit of a degree, they had to be content with \$100,000 trust funds Green established for them.

Colonel Green died on June 8, 1936. It would take a book to tell the entire story of Green and the disposition of his estate. Fortunately, the story is told in the book *The Day They Shook the Plum Tree* by Arthur H. Lewis.



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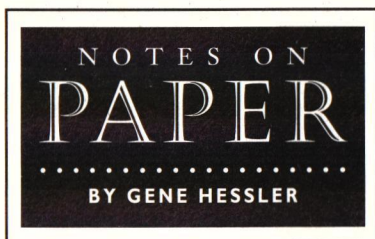
MY INTEREST IN paper money from Czechoslovakia brought to my attention the work of Austrian engraver Ferdinand Schirnböck (1859-1930), who was selected to engrave both the face and back of the country's 100-korun note (P[ick] 24). This beautiful issue was designed by the loved and respected Max Švabinský (1873-1962), who was named a Czech National Artist in 1951. (I may focus on him in a future column.) The 100 korun, as well as the 1,000 korun (P26, also designed by Švabinský but engraved by Karel Wolf), are the first notes of quality to be produced by the Czech National Printing Office. They remain two of the country's most attractive paper money issues.

After receiving his fundamental education, Schirnböck studied copper engraving under Professor Lauerberger at the Vienna Professional School, followed by six years at the Vienna Academy. In 1886 Schirnböck joined Professor Benndorf at Siebenbrunnen, an archaeological site where the artist sketched objects that were brought to the surface.

In 1888 the 28-year-old engraver was called to Buenos Aires to join the South American Bank Note Company. There, in addition to postage stamps, he engraved high-denomination bank notes. The style

This note (Pick 1), with an overprint on its face, circulated in Slovakia from 1939 to 1941. Its back features a portrait of Thomas Garrigue Masaryk, Czech patriot and first president of the Republic of Czechoslovakia (1918-35). The open book represents Masaryk's many literary works.

of some Argentinian notes—PS1097-1100 and P223-227 (dated 1895)—suggests that they were engraved by



Schirnböck during his time at the newly organized bank note company, although no official records confirm these observations.

In 1893 Schirnböck returned to Austria to work for the Vienna State Postal Service. (Schirnböck is better

known for his philatelic work than his numismatic engraving, having created more than 150 postage stamps for some 20 countries, from Albania to Yugoslavia.) He held the position of professor of engraving at the Vienna Academy, and for many years served as president of the Austrian Creative Association.

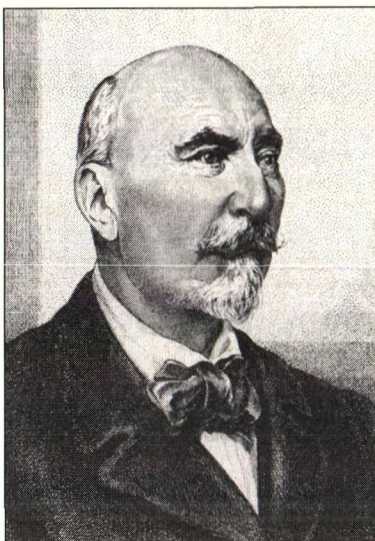
Schirnböck engraved the female portraits on the faces of his first and last Austrian bank note engravings: a 20 kronen (P4) designed by Rudolf Rössler and a 10 schillings (P122) by Josef Seger. In between, Schirnböck engraved at least two dozen other notes for the Austro-Hungarian Bank and the Austrian government. Among them are the beautiful, mural-like *Woman, Child and Blacksmith*, by



Hungarian artist László Hegedüs (1870-1911), on a 100 kronen (P7); and the back of a 20 schilling (P94) with the image *Harvest*, by Berthold Löffler (1874-1960).

Schirnböck engraved the allegorical images of "Hungaria" on Hungary's 1,000 pengo (P94 and 116). Although issued in 1943, the latter—the more expensive of the two—was engraved around 1930 and probably was one of the last works by the dean of Austrian engravers.

In the late 1980s, I assisted Willibald Kranister with the section on United States paper money for his book *The Moneymakers International*, a marvelous reference available from the ANA MoneyMarket (ANA member price, \$24.95). During our correspondence, I expressed my admiration for Schirnböck's engraved



Engraver Ferdinand Schirnböck designed bank notes for Czechoslovakia, Austria and Argentina, and postage stamps for more than 20 countries.

work and asked Kranister if the Austrian National Bank had any photographs of the artist.

Kranister was to bring the final book proofs for me to see when, as a member of the Austrian National Bank's Board of Executive Directors, he came to the United States for a meeting of the International Monetary Fund. When we met for the first time, he brought a photograph of an engraving of Schirnböck by colleague and admirer Rupert Franke, who also engraved Austrian bank notes and postage stamps. In addition, Kranister presented me with proofs of three engraved female portraits by the legendary Schirnböck; they appear on the Austrian 50 kronen (P8), 100 schilling (P11) and 20 schilling (P90). I am delighted to have them. •

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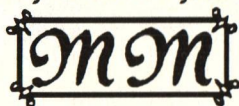
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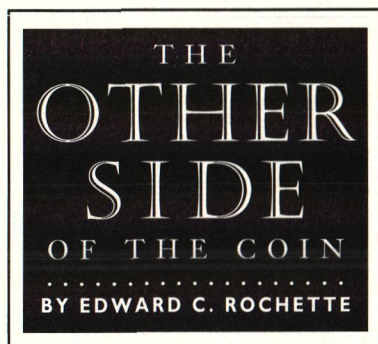
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Three Young Indian Maids

THE COMING OF the millennium may well bode a new era for the numismatic portrayal of Indian maidens. These depictions will not be the allegorical representations of the last century—Liberty adorned with a headdress—but of identifiable personages from our historic past.

In the spotlight these days is Sacagawea, the young Shoshone Indian who served as guide and interpreter for the famous Lewis and Clark expedition in 1805. The group's primary objective was to locate the source of the Missouri River, but their journey stretched more than 4,000 miles past the river's confluence through hostile and previously unexplored territory. Both Lewis

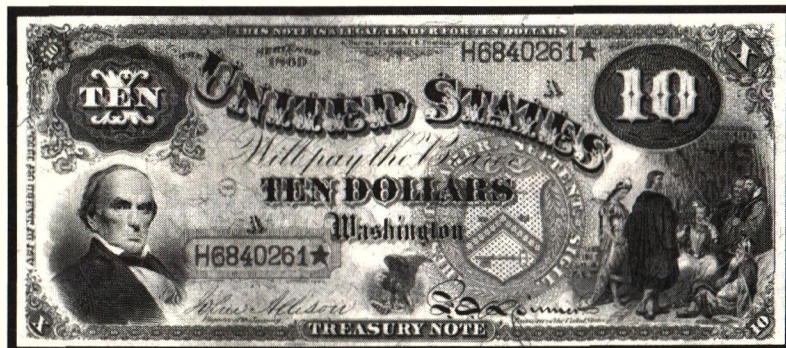
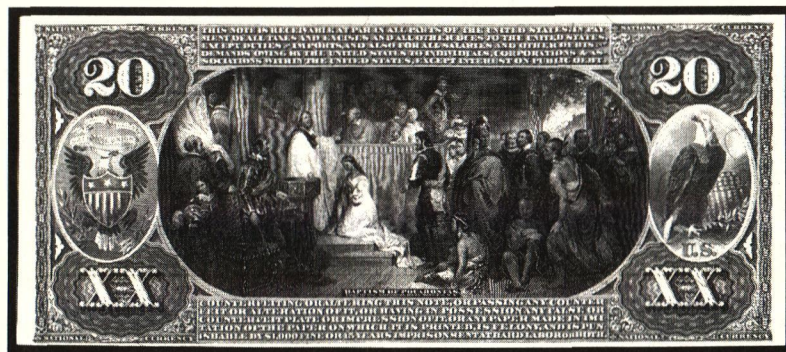
and Clark attributed the success of their journey—and owed their lives—to the young Indian girl.



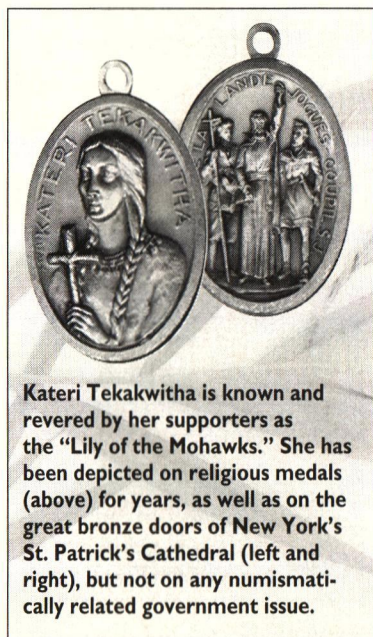
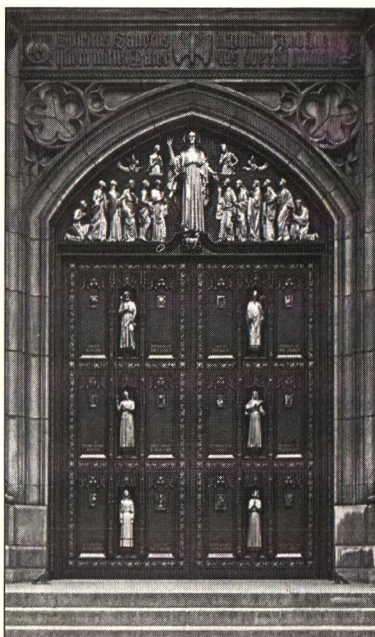
Sacagawea's portrait is scheduled to appear on the obverse of the new dollar coin in January 2000.

The choice of Sacagawea has not been without criticism. A group of Virginians and others espouse the selection of another young Indian girl, Pocahontas, daughter of powerful Indian chief Powhatan. She was credited with saving the life of Captain John Smith, who had been captured and condemned to death by her father. Pocahontas' supporters note that her deeds preceded those of Sacagawea by nearly two centuries. Unfortunately the campaign to portray Pocahontas on a new United States coin is handicapped by the fact that she already has appeared on two issues of U.S. paper money and one U.S. Mint medal.

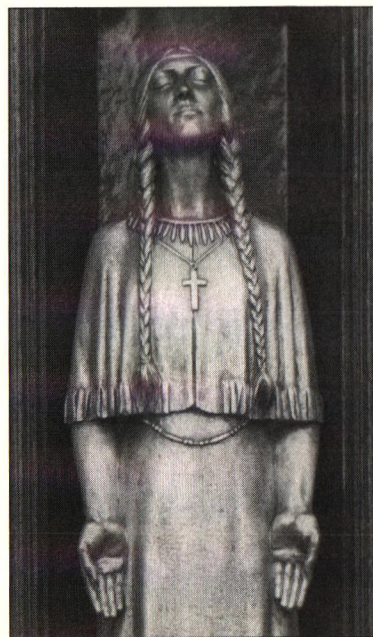
Pocahontas can be seen on the face of the large-size \$10 United



The large-size \$20 National Bank note, first charter period (left top), features *The Baptism of Pocahontas*. A vignette on the face of the large-size \$10 United States note (left bottom), introduced in 1869, features *Pocahontas Presented at Court*. The new \$1 coin scheduled for the year 2000 will portray Sacagawea. The treatment of the legends on a design under consideration (above left), created by Glenna Goodacre, is similar to that of a 1907 U.S. Mint medal struck for the Jamestown Exposition (above right).



Kateri Tekakwitha is known and revered by her supporters as the "Lily of the Mohawks." She has been depicted on religious medals (above) for years, as well as on the great bronze doors of New York's St. Patrick's Cathedral (left and right), but not on any numismatically related government issue.



States note, first released in 1869. The vignette at the right is adapted from a painting *Introduction of the Old World to the New World, or Pocahontas Presented at Court*. On the large-size \$20 National Bank note, first charter period, John G. Chapman's painting *The Baptism of Pocahontas* is the subject of the central design for the back.

In 1907 the Jamestown Exposition commemorated the 300th anniversary of "the first permanent settlement in North America by English speaking people." The United States Mint maintained an exhibit and struck the official medal at its display on site. (Coincidentally, there is a similarity in the treatment of the legends around the obverse of this medal and those just selected by the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts for the Sacagawea issue.)

Another young Indian maiden, Kateri Tekakwitha, has entered the numismatic competition. Revered by her supporters as the "Lily of the

Mohawks," she is not honored on government issues, but collectors' needs can be satisfied through a number of privately issued medals.

Venerable St. Patrick's Cathedral stands in a mid-Manhattan landscape dominated by skyscrapers. Many thousands of faithful parishioners, curious neighbors and peripatetic tourists alike visit annually. Entering through the great, bronze doors of this Gothic-style cathedral and hurrying to view what's inside, most overlook the sculpted figures stationed to greet them. Six saintly persons are represented, each selected for their relationship to the citizens of the State of New York. Three stand on the left door, three on the right. At the bottom left is Kateri Tekakwitha, the Indian girl destined to become this country's first native saint.

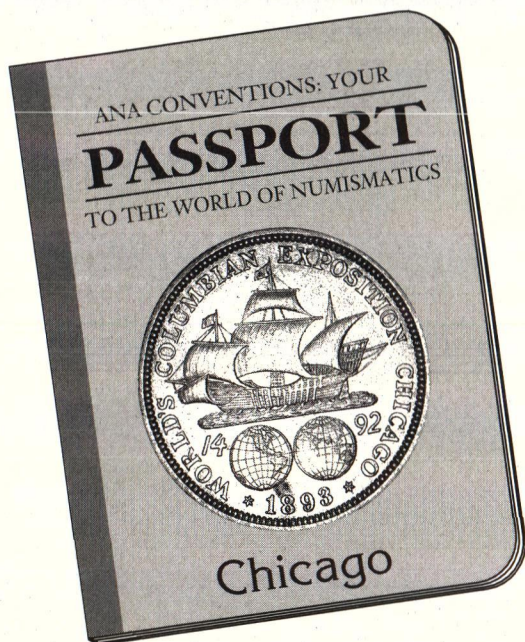
Kateri was born in 1656, near what is now Auriesville, New York. Her father was a Mohawk chief, and her mother was a Christian Algon-

quin who had been taken prisoner by the Mohawks during a raid on her village in Quebec. A smallpox epidemic claimed both parents and a brother when Kateri was four years old, and the disease left her disfigured and visually impaired. By custom, Kateri became a member of her paternal uncle's household, but she was shunned by the village.

For solace, Kateri turned to the missionaries, which further alienated her from the Mohawks. Finally she fled to an Algonquin village on the banks of the St. Lawrence River, dedicating herself to a life of austerity and good works. Kateri Tekakwitha died at the age of 24. Legend relates that at the moment of her death, the pockmarks that so disfigured her face disappeared. Her cause has been promoted over the years. In 1943 she was elevated to "venerable," the first step on the road to sainthood, and in 1980 she was named "blessed," leaving canonization as the final step. •

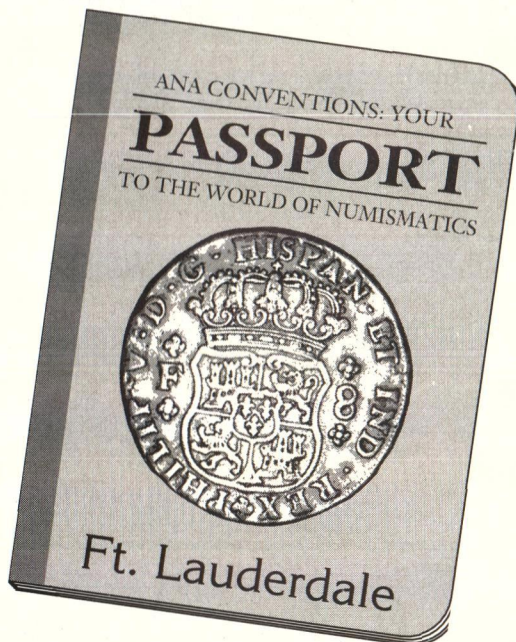
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Think Twice before Cleaning Your Coins

IF YOU HAVE been collecting for at least a few months, you likely have learned that you should never clean your valuable coins. Still, you probably have thought about trying to clean at least a few pieces. Let me state emphatically that you will be better off not cleaning any of your coins; you may regret damaging these “experimental” pieces. Over the years, I have seen hundreds of coins ruined by cleaning and very few actually improved.

Yes, some coins can be improved by cleaning. The key is careful treatment. I make a distinction between “cleaning” and “cleansing,” the latter being simply flushing away surface contaminants with water, detergent or solvent. Cleaning, on the other hand, is a more serious process that usually involves stripping away not only surface dirt, but tarnish, toning or spots of corrosion as well. Sometimes a coin has been so corrupted, it may be necessary to remove or reverse the contamination to prevent further damage or total destruction.

Coins also can be cleaned or treated for cosmetic purposes to enhance their appearance and value. Some say the practice is deceptive; others explain it is fair game to make each coin look as nice as possible so it can be better enjoyed. And others argue that coins are among the few collectibles that are not openly restored and enhanced.

Individual collectors must decide if they want their coins left in a natural state. All agree that a coin that has been scrubbed, scratched or left in an unnatural state, with original toning stripped away, loses its appeal and value as a collectible.

Careful and skillful cleaning directed at preserving a coin is best left up to experienced numismatists.



If you have a coin you think just has to be cleaned, you would be well-advised to consult a long-time collector or professional dealer.

If you must try your hand at cleaning, here are some tips: First, never, and I must repeat—NEVER—do anything to a coin that is not yours. Second, experiment with a few common coins taken from circulation. Third, never use chemicals that may be harmful to your health. Fourth, never change a coin in a way that cannot be reversed, and, especially, do not buff or polish. Finally, stop and think—give up any hope of being the first to invent a safe way to restore coins to perfection. You can never undo a botched cleaning job, but you’ll have many opportunities to regret it.

File #583

Today’s newspaper had another full-page ad for “America’s First \$100 Platinum Eagle.” I was sickened by the blatant use of the government’s unique design, the inference that this is a real bullion coin, and the deceptive advertising that must be compelling to anyone who does not understand exactly what these paper-

weights really are.

I read the advertisement carefully and found no redeeming feature in the way it was worded, even though there were no outright misstatements. It is beyond me why the government does not put a stop to this use of its coin designs and encroachment on its sales of real platinum coins. These manufacturers clearly are selling imitations to people who must think they are getting government-issued platinum.

In reality, these are 3½-inch replicas of the platinum American Eagle coin, complete in every detail except that they carry the inscription “Platinum layered .999 fine silver” and “4 oz.” It is described in the body of the ad as “adorned with .999 pure platinum.” In other words, it is plated or washed and contains only a trace of the metal, which probably can never be recovered.

Are 4 ounces of silver worth \$129, even in this form? I really don’t think so, and I won’t be buying one—even at the special advance price of \$99 plus \$9.50 handling.

File #584

I regularly see several coin-advisory newsletters—some quite good, others pretty mundane, and a few flagrant promotions for whatever the promoter has for sale that month. One newsletter was forwarded to me by an ANA member who thought I would enjoy it. I did. It was very well written and showed good insight into the coin market, the economy and United States history.

It was only when I got to the last page that I was turned off by the company’s offer to sell some rather

high-priced gold coins. Liberty double eagles in Extremely Fine condition at 10 for \$6,480 didn't seem like a bargain to me. Still, I got enough good information out of the editorials to make this newsletter a worthwhile read. If you are looking for an investment newsletter, shop around and pick one that suits your needs.

File #585

If you collect Walking Liberty half dollars, here is your chance to get a full set of all pieces struck by every mint from 1929 to 1947. And you can have them professionally mounted in a holder and frame so they can be hung on your wall for everyone to see and enjoy. The large price sticker on the ad for this great set said "only \$14.99." I had to read the fine print to see that it meant "per

month," for a total of \$189.84.

Interested? The set contains "the historic 1929 Depression coin; the unique 1933-S only mint mark struck that year; the coveted 1947 last year of issue; and every other coin issued from 1929 to 1947." They are all solid silver, all more than 50 years old. You can buy these from a prominent oil company with a 15-day home trial. I really don't know how you "try" them at home, but you can send them back if they don't look right on your wall.

This seemed like a nice promotion. However, at that price, I would want to know the condition of the coins before sending any money.

File #586

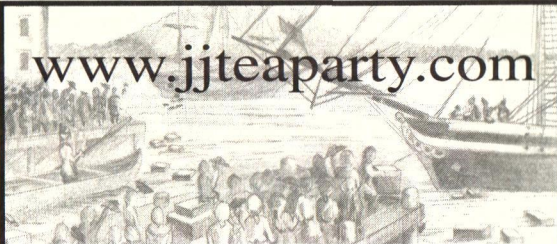
Many collectors are fascinated by coin jewelry. Most pieces not only

are good-looking, but also make a good conversation starter—a chance to talk about coins in general. One item I spotted in a national sales catalog held particular appeal for me. It was an attractive pendant, equally suitable for men or women.

The unique feature of this piece is that it has an Indian Head nickel mounted on a traditional Navajo dream-catcher. Suspended from the bottom are three nuggets of genuine turquoise, adorned with feathers. The design looks like authentic, native-inspired work.

This pendant would be truly stunning if made of silver, but there is no mention of the metal other than in the description of a "silvertone rope chain." At the low price of \$20, it would be a bargain regardless of its metallic composition. •

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Treasure of Xerxes Huge Hoard of Silver Buried circa 450 BC

And now, as he looked and saw the whole Hellespont covered with the vessels of his fleet and all the shore and every plain about Abydos as full as possible of his men, Xerxes congratulated himself upon his good fortune; but after a little while he wept. His uncle Artabanus, who was with him at the time, asked about this strange expression of contradictory feelings. 'I was thinking,' Xerxes replied, 'and it came into my mind how pitifully short human life is...'

Herodotus VII, 45-46

At this moment in history described by the ancient historian Herodotus was perhaps one of the greatest military undertakings in history given the current technology. The accounts relate that the great Persian king Xerxes amassed an army of 1,700,000 men for his invasion of Greece in 480 BC. An entire city was needed to feed the army just two meals, and an entire river ran dry when they drank. And, huge quantities of silver coins were struck to finance the massive military payroll and all the expenses of huge military operations. The Hellespont was the waterway, at least a mile wide, connecting the Black Sea and the Mediterranean Sea and separating Europe from Asia Minor. In order to move his vast army, Xerxes commanded his engineers, mostly Phoenecians and Egyptians, to build a bridge. To do this, 674 ships were tied together in a double row and planks were laid over the decks. The planks were covered with brushwood and dirt to create a road. Xerxes invaded Greece and very nearly succeeded in conquering the civilized world.

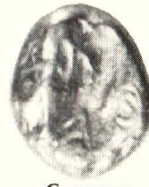
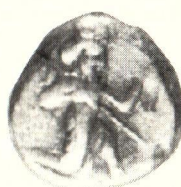
As the Persians moved through northern Greece, they were met at the pass of Thermopylae, where 300 Spartans led by Leonidas fought to the last man, and successfully delayed the Persian advance long enough for the Greek cities to prepare. Although Xerxes captured Athens, the Athenians had fled with their fleet to the nearby island of Salamis where the Persian fleet was defeated by the more experienced Athenian navy. The army of the allied Greek city-states, led by Spartans was able to defeat the Persian army at Plataea in 479 BC and effectively ended Xerxes attempted conquest of Greece.

Xerxes is long dead, but his observations on the brevity of human existence still apply today, even though we average more than twice the usual life span of the ancients. By collecting, studying and handling the coins of the ancients, our human experience can be greatly enhanced. In our hands we have relics of great kings who commanded huge armies to conquer kingdoms now vanished. These treasures of precious metals that are now unearthed from the former paths of these ancient armies are sometimes the only tangible links that we have to those battles. Now you can expand your horizons to the Fifth Century BC with a modest contribution to the Jonathan K. Kern Co.

This hoard of silver was composed of over 100 pounds of struck sigloi. A single siglos averages 5.55 grams of nearly pure silver and depicts the Great King of Persia as an archer in an

action pose. Some interpret his posture as the archaic art expression of running, and others describe him as kneeling. These coins were struck with a heavy sledge hammer on very thick oblong planchets, much like silver bullets, with a handheld upper die depicting the archer. The lower die was probably embedded in wood or stone to secure it. The lower, or reverse die of these coins, was used in the manner of the very first coins ever produced in the world. This lower die was a roughly rectangular raised metal lump, appearing in hundreds of mysterious variations. The raised reverse die creates an incuse impression for the backs of the sigloi. Museum studies now in progress utilize the reverse incused impressions for quick die referencing, since the obverse impression of the Great King is frequently off center. These coins represented a huge explosion in the production of coined money, and were struck rapidly to fill the need for pre-weighted silver authorized by a powerful ruler.

The Great King is shown holding a spear and a bow on the sigloi attributed to the Asia Minor mint of Sardis, in Lydia and a bow and dagger on the other type which are possibly all from a different mint further south. Frequently they are countermarked with tiny punches by merchants or bankers, possibly to attest to the quality of the silver. We can sell either type in a **nice fine grade for \$37 each**, a **nice very fine for \$77 each** or a **nice extremely fine for \$277 each**. The raised obverse always grades much less than the incused reverse so our nice fine will usually have an extremely fine reverse.



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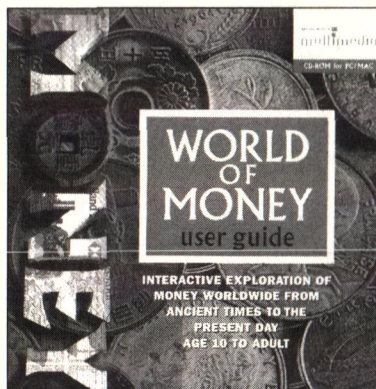
An actual tour of a major museum's numismatic collection could prove to be a time-consuming and expensive undertaking for hobbyists residing at a great distance. However, numismatists can take a virtual journey simply by utilizing a new CD-ROM entitled **World of Money**.

This recent acquisition by the ANA Library allows the user to take an enjoyable, interactive tour of the British Museum's numismatic holdings. Moreover, it includes games and activities that challenge and augment the user's knowledge and creative skills, and is appropriate for several age levels. (It is both PC and MAC compatible.)

As the tour begins, the first image encountered is the façade of the British Museum. From there, amid crowd sounds, the interactive tourist enters the galleries' foyer and there selects from a number of "destinations" listed on a signpost: "Information Centre," "History of Money," "Activities" and "Options."

The *Information Centre* appears as a "lift," or elevator, from which one may select a desired floor. The floors represent general topics, including "Studying Money," "Saving," "Money and Society," "What Is Money" and "How Money Is Made."

History of Money allows the user to consult an alphabetical index or world map to access a topic, location or time period. After selecting an item in this category, the hobbyist can view two to five pages of images



Tour the British Museum's numismatic collection with the *World of Money* CD-ROM. It's educational and fun for adults and children alike.

and information. Words highlighted in red can be selected for further definition and explanation; those highlighted in blue indicate a related topic and link the user to other areas of study. There's also a map to help navigate each topic area. The high-resolution images can be enlarged and/or printed for closer examination. The only drawback to this category is that after links to related subject areas are chosen, it is difficult to return to the previous selection, although it can be done through the "Options" menu.

Activities is comprised of five games designed to explore different aspects of numismatics. "Treasure Ship" is similar to a video game and requires the participant to navigate a Spanish galleon laden with gold from the New World through troubled waters to its home port.

In "Budget Power," the player is the mayor of a city charged with developing a flexible economic plan that must be altered as pivotal events occur. (For example, I was ousted from the mayoral office for not providing adequate health resources.)

The three remaining games are

my favorites: "Money Gallery," "Pig Fortunes" and "Money Maker." As registrar for the ANA Money Museum, I find "Money Gallery" a bit unnerving, since it preys on one of my greatest fears: numismatic items are dropped from their exhibits and must be rematched with their labels. This activity draws upon what the participant has learned from previous sections of the CD. Unfortunately, the game becomes rather repetitive after several sessions, as the same images reappear.

"Pig Fortunes," similar to a television game show, uses tour information as the basis for multiple-choice questions. The one drawback with this activity is that the correct answers are not revealed at the end of the game, so there's no way to learn from your mistakes.

Finally, "Money Maker" lets the user design coins, checks, notes and credit cards. Different shapes, pictures, lettering and importable images are available to assist the novice.

The *Options* destination allows access to a menu of basic-information sections, such as "Bibliography," "Index" and "Galleries" (divided into the main geographic sections of the numismatic collection).

I highly recommend this product for its overall educational value and enjoyment level. The basic "lift" data and the specialized "tours" help the user build knowledge and develop a greater understanding and appreciation of numismatics. The games complement the more traditional tour approach by adding a fun, creative twist.

Other references available on CD-ROM from the ANA Resource Center include *Top 100 Morgan Dollar Varieties*, *The VAM Keys*, *The Grading Assistant*, *U.S. Commemoratives* and *Collector's Assistant*. •



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ANA Finds No Merit in Claims Alleged by Former Employees

The ANA says there is no merit and denies all claims made against it by former Executive Director Peggy A. Hofmann and former Chief Financial Officer Wayne S. Abraham. Hofmann, who held her job with the ANA for seven weeks before indicating her wish to end her employment, initially filed her lawsuit last July.

In responding to that complaint, the ANA called it "frivolous and in bad faith." Abraham, who was hired by the ANA in July 1996 and resigned on July 13, 1998, is seeking to join Hofmann's lawsuit. Hofmann and Abraham allege they were prevented from correcting "illegal and deceptive practices" by "certain Board members" and "various ANA employees."

"It is difficult to find any merit to the claims made by Ms. Hofmann and Mr. Abraham," says ANA General Counsel Christopher Cipoletti. "Both Ms. Hofmann and Mr. Abra-

ham were in positions that allowed them to review issues facing the ANA and to address those issues that they believed needed some correction." The Board of Governors and staff believed they were dealing with Hofmann and Abraham in good faith.

"It is disappointing that Ms. Hofmann, an attorney by training, and Mr. Abraham have asserted these claims against the ANA," Cipoletti says. "While the ANA will defend the complaint vigorously, the Board and staff cannot offer detailed expla-

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nations, since this matter is currently in litigation."

The Board of Governors selected Hofmann for the job of ANA executive director in February 1998 from a field of more than 200 candidates. She joined the staff on April 16. On June 11, Hofmann expressed her intent to resign and sought to terminate her employment agreement by mutual agreement of the parties. Her employment was terminated on June 24.

The Board of Governors attempted to provide Hofmann with the freedom to learn about the ANA and her job as executive director. Members of the Board and the staff have denied knowledge of efforts to remove her from the position.

Abraham was named ANA's controller and director of finance and management in July 1996. Following the retirement of Executive Director Robert J. Leuver in Fall 1997, Abraham was appointed acting executive director and remained in that position until Hofmann joined the staff the following April.

After Hofmann left and Abraham resigned, the Board named former ANA President Edward C. Rochette to serve as interim executive director. Rochette, who was on the ANA staff for 20 years as editor of *The Numismatist* and as executive director, works closely with a three-person executive staff committee that has more than 60 years of combined experience with the ANA.

Fourteen Nominated for Board of Governors

As of March 2, a total of 14 nominations had been submitted for the American Numismatic Association's

upcoming election of officers. The offices to be vacated in 1999 because of expiring terms of incumbents, and to which new officers must be elected, are the presidency, vice presidency and all seven governors' seats.

The following members have received the required five club and five individual nominations. The nomination period closed March 31.

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Savannah, GA

SCOTT A. TRAVERS
New York, NY

For Vice President:

HELEN CARMODY-LEBO
Huntington Beach, CA
Nomination Accepted

For Governor:

CHRISTOPHER T. CONNELL
Great Neck, NY

BRIAN E. FANTON
Hiawatha, IA
Nomination Accepted

ARTHUR M. FITTS III
Framingham, MA

THOMAS HALLENBECK
Colorado Springs, CO

WILLIAM H. HORTON JR.
Keyport, NJ

KAY EDGERTON LENKER
San Diego, CA
Nomination Accepted

GARY E. LEWIS
Cape Coral, FL

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Hobbyists Recognized with Presidential Award

The ANA Presidential Award recognizes individuals for outstanding contributions and dedicated service to the numismatic hobby and the Association over the years. President Anthony Swiatek recently named four new honorees.

During the Greater Houston Coin Club's (GHCC) 42nd Annual Money Show, held January 22-24, ANA Governor Bob Campbell was on hand to bestow the award on Swiatek's behalf to Bernard Loebe, and Chris and Bill Johns, all residents of Houston, Texas.

Loebe has held virtually every position in the GHCC since joining in

1976. A member of the Latin American Numismatic Association, Loebe serves the ANA as exhibit judge and as regional coordinator for Region 9 (Texas and Louisiana).

Chris and Bill Johns were founding members of the GHCC in 1955 and were instrumental in organizing the Texas Numismatic Association in 1960. They have held many offices in both organizations. Chris was general chairman for the ANA convention in 1978 and is a past president of the Dedicated Wooden Money Collectors.

At a dinner held by the Numismatic Association of Southern California (NASC) on February 7, ANA Governor Helen Carmody-Lebo and Representative Program Na-

tional Coordinator Walt Ostromecki presented the award to Gary Beedon of Huntington Beach. He has enthusiastically supported and served numismatics, lending his time, talents, energy and leadership to promote the NASC, the Orange County Coin Club and the hobby.

Golf Tournament and New Denver Tour Planned for Seminar

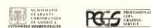
Preparations for the ANA's 31st Annual Summer Seminar, July 10-16, in Colorado Springs, Colorado, are in full swing. In addition to an outstanding offering of 30 courses, three new events are planned for Friday, July 16, so mark your calen-

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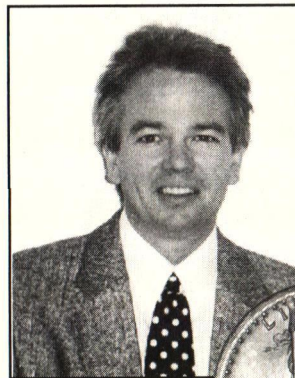


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"class reunion" for graduates and mentors of the Numismatic Diploma Program is set for Friday evening.

The Denver trip will offer visits to the Denver Mint, Denver Art Museum, Colorado Historical Society and the golden-domed state capitol. Lunch will be served at the elegant, turn-of-the-century Brown Palace Hotel, accompanied by a presentation on its numismatic history.

The golf tournament promises to be a fun-filled fund-raiser, with all proceeds going to ANA educational projects. Individuals, as well as company foursomes, will enjoy a non-competitive scramble-style day on the links, with plenty of prizes for golfers of all skill levels.

The class reunion will feature a

reception, buffet-style dinner, awards, and presentation of diplomas to recent graduates. Graduates and mentors can expect to receive formal invitations to the "elegantly casual" affair in their mailboxes.

For more information about optional tours and events, contact the Education Department.

Scott Loos Appointed Regional Coordinator

Scott Loos of Spokane, Washington, has been named ANA regional coordinator for Region 7, which comprises Alaska, Idaho, Oregon and Washington. President Anthony Swiatek made the appointment on the recommendation of Walt Os-

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tromecki, national coordinator for the ANA's Representative Program.

"Scott, who served as an ANA district delegate for five years, is enthusiastic about his appointment and brings a wealth of talent to his new job," Swiatek says. An accountant and part-time coin dealer, Loos says, "I am committed to expanding the collector base through numismatic education and young numismatist development. These are my goals for the region, our hobby and the ANA Representative Program."

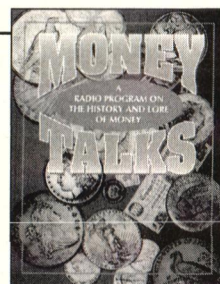
A life member of the ANA, Loos has served as president, secretary and treasurer of the Inland Empire Coin Club in Spokane; and two terms as director of the Pacific Northwest Numismatic Association. He also is a

certified ANA exhibit judge.

Loos replaces Tom Sheehan, who "did a fine job of building hobby fellowship and opening communication lines between the ANA staff and members in Region 7 for nearly 10 years," Ostromecki says.

Sheehan says, "I think it is time to relinquish my post as regional coordinator. My interest in numismatics has not waned, nor has my devotion to the ANA; however, I decided to actually spend more time with coins and medals."

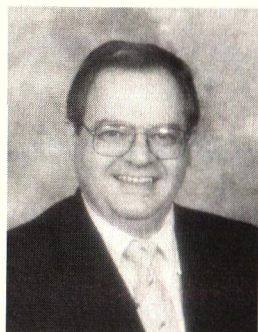
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10-11 LANCASTER, PA. Farm & Home Center, Arcadia Rd. (E. of Rt. 72, S. of Rt. 30). Annual Coin Show sponsored by the Central Pennsylvania Numismatic Association. CPNA, P.O. Box 6251, Lancaster, PA 17607.

11 ALBANY, NY. Polish Community Center, Washington Ave. Extension. Capital District Coin Dealers Association Coin Show. J.F. Marcelli, 28 Locust Ave., Troy, NY 12180; telephone 518/274-4216.

11 HACKETTSTOWN, NJ. American Legion Hall, Willow Grove St. Coin Show held by the Hackettstown Coin Club. Show Chairman, c/o Steve Middleton, P.O. Box 83, Boonton, NJ 07005; telephone 973/627-0705; fax 973/927-2211; E-mail Smiddletoy@aol.com.

16-18 STRONGSVILLE, OH. Michaud's, 16808 Pearl Rd. Warrensville Heights Coin Club 38th Annual Coin Show. Bill Krizsan, P.O. Box 391441, Solon,

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April 18-24 National Coin Week. Theme: "Treasures in Change." Contact Education Department.

July 10-16 COLORADO SPRINGS, CO. The Colorado College. 31st Annual ANA Summer Seminar. Contact Education Department.

August 11-15 CHICAGO, IL. Rosemont Convention Center, 9301 W. Bryn Mawr. ANA 108th Anniversary Convention. Contact Convention Department.

March 3-5, 2000 FT. LAUDERDALE, FL. Greater Ft. Lauderdale /Broward County Convention Center, 1950 Eisenhower Blvd. ANA National Money Show. Contact Convention Department.

NATIONAL/REGIONAL ORGANIZATIONS & EVENTS

April 3 CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA. Antiquer's Mall (Rivanna Room), 2335 Seminole Tr. (off Rt. 29N.). Spring Coin Show conducted by the Virginia Numismatic Association in conjunction with the Blue Ridge & Monticello Coin Clubs. Show Chairman Doug Seal, P.O. Box 598, Crozet, VA 22932, telephone 804/823-8096.

April 17-18 OMAHA, NE. Holiday Inn Convention Center, I-80 & 72nd St. Nebraska Numismatic Association 44th Convention hosted by the Omaha Coin Club. Steven C. Drake, P.O. Box 1003, Omaha, NE 68101-1003, telephone 402/571-5421.

April 22-25 MILWAUKEE, WI. Midwest Express Center, 400 W. Wisconsin Ave. Central States Numismatic Society 60th Anniversary Show. Jerry Lebo, P.O. Box 841, Logansport, IN 46947, telephone 219/753-2489, fax 219/753-4379.

April 29-May 1 SOMERSET, NJ. Marriott Hotel & Convention Annex, Exit 10, Rt. 287. Garden State Numismatic Association Annual Coin Convention. GSNA Show Chairman, c/o Tom Hyland, P.O. Box 28, Glenwood, NJ 07418, telephone 973/875-7926, fax 973/875-7364, E-mail TASH@TAPNET.NET.

May 7-9 MONROEVILLE, PA. Pittsburgh ExpoMart, Bus. Rt. 22 (Exit 6, Pa. Tpk.). Pennsylvania Association of Numismatists (PAN) 4th Annual Spring Convention. John Paul Sarosi, 106 Market St., Johnstown, PA 15901, telephone 814/535-5766, fax 814/535-2978, Internet www.money.org/club_pan.html.

June 11-13 BALTIMORE, MD. Baltimore Convention Center, 1 W. Pratt St. Atlantic Rarities Coin Exposition sponsored by the Maryland State Numismatic Association. Bourse Chairman Tom Palmer, c/o MSNA, P.O. Box 6533, Sparrows Point, MD 21219, telephone 703/351-8409, fax 703/351-8662, Internet www.money.org/club_msna.html.

June 12-13 WICHITA, KS. 4 H Bldg., 7001 W. 21st St. N. (W. of I-235 on Zoo Blvd.). 16th Annual Kansas Numismatic Association Coin & Stamp Show hosted by the Wichita Coin Club. WCC, P.O. Box 45, Haysville, KS 67060, telephone 316/524-0629.

June 18-20 MEMPHIS, TN. Cook Convention Center, 255 N. Main St. Memphis Coin Club 23rd International Paper Money Show. Mike Crabb, P.O. Box 17871, Memphis, TN 38187, telephone 901/757-2515.

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16-18 WHITE PLAINS, NY. Westchester County Center. Westchester Coin, Stamp & Paper Show co-sponsored by the Cross States Numismatic Association, Putnam Coin Club & White Plains Coin Club. Mark Simon, c/o CSNA, Box 8308, New Fairfield, CT 06812; telephone 914/423-7957.

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18 SYRACUSE, NY. Ramada Inn, 1305 Buckley Rd. Coin Show conducted by the Onondaga Numismatic Association. Bourse Chairman Edmund J. Wlodarski, 8026 Trina Circle W., Clay, NY 13041-9159; telephone 315/699-3711.

25 GLENS FALLS (QUEENSBURY), NY. Queensbury VFW Post 6196, Richardson St. & Luzerne Rd. Coopers Cave Coin Club 22nd Spring Coin & Stamp Show. Gerald Snow, 1350 Baldwin Corners Rd., Ft. Ann, NY 12827; telephone 518/639-8949.

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1-2 HERSHEY, PA. Pennsylvania National Guard Armory, 1720 E. Caracas Ave. Hershey Coin Club Coin Show. Susan Byrd, 313 W. Main St., Palmyra, PA 17078; telephone 717/838-8730.

2 ALBANY, NY. Polish Community Center, Washington Ave. Extension. Capital District Coin Dealers Association Coin Show. J.F. Marcelli, 28 Locust Ave., Troy, NY 12180; telephone 518/274-4216.

15-16 CHAMBERSBURG, PA. Quality Inn (former Holiday Inn), Exit 5 (Wayne Ave.), I-81. The Friendly Coin

Club of Chambersburg Annual Coin Show. FCCC, P.O. Box 158, Chambersburg, PA 17201.

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2-3 ARLINGTON, TX. La Quinta Inn-Conference Center, 825 N. Watson Rd. (I-30 @ State Hwy. 360). Dallas Coin Club Coin Show. Mike Grant, P.O. Box 171719, Arlington, TX 76003-1719; telephone 817/496-2388.

10 MCKINNEY, TX. Holiday Inn, 1300 N. Central Expwy. (Hwy. 75 N., Exit 40B). Semi-Annual Coin Show held by the Collin County Coin Club. Gary Rollins, P.O. Box 744, McKinney, TX 75070-0744; telephone 972/727-1566.

16-18 HOUSTON, TX. Houston Astrodome, 8400 Kirby Dr. @ Loop 610. Bayou City Coin Show co-sponsored by the Bellaire, Pasadena & Greater Houston Coin Clubs. Bill Hooven, 6420 Richmond Ave., Suite 500, Houston, TX 77057; telephone 713/532-6233.

18 FT. LAUDERDALE, FL. Coral Ridge Mall, 3200 N. Federal Hwy. @ Oakland Park Blvd. Coin Show conducted by the Fort Lauderdale Coin Club. Bourse Chairman Harvey Bastacky, 1181 S.W. 108 Terr., Davie, FL 33324; telephone 954/424-8776.

25 CONYERS, GA. American Legion Hall, Hwy. 138, 1/2 mi. N. of I-20. Second Annual Coin Show held by the Rockdale Coin Club. Martin Gellert, P.O. Box 1255, Conyers, GA 30012; telephone 770/483-2406; fax 770/483-2599; E-mail martygellert@earthlink.net.

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29-30 MOREHEAD CITY, NC.
Crystal Coast Civic Center, 3505 Arendell St. Coin, Stamp & Collectible Show held by the Carteret Numismatic Society. David Porter, P.O. Box 971, Swansboro, NC 28584; telephone 910/326-3233.

JUNE

5 VICKSBURG, MS. Park Inn International, 4137 I-20 Frontage Rd., Exit 4B. Vicksburg Coin & Collectible Show conducted by the Vicksburg Coin Club. Cason Schaffer, 107 E. View Dr., Vicksburg, MS 39180; telephone 601/638-1195.

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CENTRAL

APRIL

3 KALAMAZOO, MI. County Center Bldg., Kalamazoo County Fairgrounds, 2900 Lake St. Kalamazoo Numismatic Club Spring Coin Show. Russ Barr, P.O. Box 462, Portage, MI 49081.

8-10 MILWAUKEE, WI. Four Points Hotel, Sheraton Milwaukee Airport, 4747 S. Howell Ave. South Shore Coin Club 35th Annual Coin Show. A. Tramte, c/o SSCC, 4959 S. 15 St., Milwaukee, WI 53221, telephone 414/541-7028.

11 ROYAL OAK, MI. Royal Oak Senior Community Center, 3500 Marias Ave. (Crooks Rd. to 13 Mile Rd., 2 blocks E.). Spring Coin Show sponsored by the

Royal Oak Coin Club. Joseph Irrer, P.O. Box 445, Royal Oak, MI 48068; telephone 248/442-0039.

24 PEKIN, IL. Miller Center, 551 S. 14th St. (1/2 block N. of Pekin Memorial Hospital, across from Pekin Park Lagoon). Tazewell Numismatic Society 39th Anniversary Coin Show. Chairman Dale O. Freidinger, c/o TNS, P.O. Box 696, Pekin, IL 61555.

25 MATTOON, IL. Ramada Inn, Rt. 16. Coin Show sponsored by the Mattoon Coin Club. Bob Ohm, Box 143, Mattoon, IL 61938; telephone 217/234-2585; E-mail stevescoins@effingham.net.

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20 HIAWATHA, IA. Hiawatha Community Center, 80 Center Point Rd. Cedar Rapids Coin Club 2nd Annual Hiawatha Show. Brian E. Fanton—PSA's, P.O. Box 81, Hiawatha, IA 52233-0081.

WEST

APRIL

11 SCOTTSDALE, AZ. Elks Lodge, 6398 E. Oak St. Coin, Stamp, Post Card, Sports Card & Collectible Show conducted by the Camelback Collectibles Club. Show Chairman Bob Phelan, P.O. Box 15005, Phoenix, AZ 85060; tele-

phone 602/990-1007.

25 ARCADIA, CA. Masonic Temple, 50 W. Duarte Rd. Covina Coin Club Coin-O-Rama. Bourse Chairman Don Foster, P.O. Box 921, Temple City, CA 91780; telephone 626/447-9483.

MAY

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13 SCOTTSDALE, AZ. Elks Lodge, 6398 E. Oak St. Coin, Stamp, Post Card,

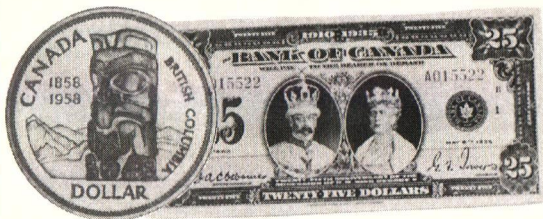
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18-20 PRESCOTT, AZ. Ponderosa Plaza Mall, 1316 Iron Springs Rd. Prescott Coin Club 25th Annual Prescott Coin Show. Chairman Michael Wolf, P.O. Box 233, Dewey, AZ 86327, telephone 520/772-7144.

27 VALLEJO, CA. Dan Foley Cultural Center, Dan Foley Park, Tuolumne St. @ End N. Camino Alto. 27th Annual Vallejo Coin & Collectibles Show sponsored by the Vallejo Numismatic Society. Stan Turrini, P.O. Box 4281, Vallejo, CA 94590-0428; telephone 925/825-0649 or 510/526-0538.

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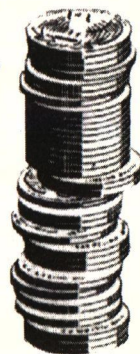
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In celebration of National Coin Week, the **Society of Paper Money Collectors**, **Blue Ridge Numismatic Association**, **North Carolina Numismatic Association** and **Raleigh Coin Club** have combined their enthusiastic efforts to sponsor a special exhibit—"Hard Cash & Hard Times: A History of North Carolina Currency." Local and national experts will examine the history of the state's money on April 17 and 18 at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

The public is invited to bring numismatic items for identification and free verbal appraisal, as well as listen

to panel discussions on the use, history and collecting of circulating North Carolina currency. Also offered are free guided tours of numismatic items from the North Carolina Collection, an extensive holding of literature, photographs and historic artifacts. The exhibit will remain open for viewing through May 31. For details, contact Bob Schreiner at 919/929-7668 (evenings) or E-mail bob_schreiner@unc.edu.

The **Numismatic Bibliomania Society** (NBS) offers two helpful, user-friendly venues on the Internet. An E-mail publication called "E-Sylum" (derived from the name of NBS's award-winning quarterly publication, *The Asylum*) is in its second year of service. It presents organ-

ization news, research inquiries and responses, items from recent numismatic literature auctions, and other entertaining and informative items. Contact editor Wayne Homren at whomren@coinlibrary.com to add your name to the distribution list.

Homren, webmaster for the NBS, also has designed an informative site that includes NBS organizational information, award and exhibit data, publication and bibliography lists, and indexes. It can be found at www.coinbooks.org. Society information can be obtained by writing to NBS Secretary Dave Hirt, 5911 Quinn Orchard Rd., Frederick, MD 21701.

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April 17 and 18 at the Houston Astroturf. Admission is free. The show, which features coins from around the world, also emphasizes educational programs, including a merit badge workshop for area Boy Scouts. For details on the workshop, call Jerry Clemons at 713/466-0206.

The **Treasure Coast Coin Club** (TCCC) 35th Annual Coin & Stamp Show held in Vero Beach, Florida, on January 23 and 24 attracted more than 1,200 visitors, with the 39 dealer tables selling out months in advance. In keeping with the show's theme, "Join the Treasure Hunt," each attendee received a key, and 30 lucky participants unlocked a chest to discover a numismatic prize.

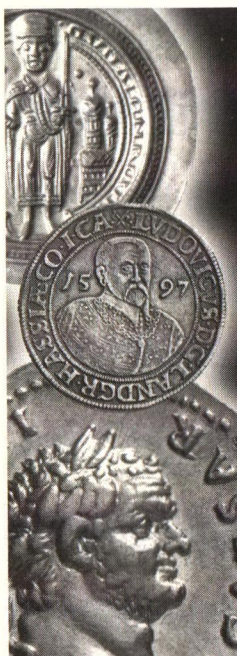
The show featured a variety of

educational exhibits, including the ANA's traveling display "Currency in Conflict: Money of the Civil War." Winning top competitive exhibit honors was Clay Grant for his display entitled "Time for Change—\$2 Canadian Coin." For more information about TCCC activities, contact Rolla Ross, P.O. Box 3373, Ft. Pierce, FL 34948.

The irreplaceable Euan Green (aka "New York Greenie") captivated a large audience with his real-life hobo stories at the Florida United Numismatists convention in Orlando in January. Attendees at the educational forum sponsored by the **Original Hobo Nickel Society** (OHNS) enjoyed Green's boxcar tales, as well as a sampling of "hobo

stew." Activities included an OHNS general meeting and an auction of hobo nickels, which realized a record \$24,800. A single carving by Bertrum "Bert" Weigand topped the lots with a bid of \$1,750.

The OHNS also approved a second scholarship for the American Numismatic Association's Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs. The new scholarship will be awarded to an adult OHNS member, an important addition to the club's existing scholarship program for young collectors. Information about the Original Hobo Nickel Society's activities and its publication, *Bo Tales*, is available from Gail Baker Krajelovich, P.O. Box 38669, Colorado Springs, CO 80937.



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OBITUARIES

BETTY J. FINNER—ANA 74406

Betty Finner of Iola, Wisconsin, died on February 4. She was 67 years old.

Born in May 1931 in Winona, Minnesota, she married Roland W. ("Rollie") Finner on July 4, 1969. Longtime members of the Central States Numismatic Society, Finner and her husband recently received the organization's medal of merit.

Finner is survived by her husband; two daughters; three sons; fourteen grandchildren; and ten great-grandchildren. A memorial fund has been established, with proceeds earmarked for heart research. Send donations to

the Betty J. Finner Memorial Fund, P.O. Box 296, Iola, WI 54945.

JOSEPH M. ANGELLO SR.— ANA 34490

Joseph M. Angello Sr., founder of the American Coin & Stamp Company in Clifton, New Jersey, died on February 5 at the age of 62. He joined the ANA in 1959.

Angello's first shop, a small stand called Joe's Magic Fun House, opened in 1955 in Frankie's Auction market in Lodi, New Jersey. His inventory of coins and stamps was destroyed by fire, and he opened another stand called Joe's Coin & Magic Shop, which burned in 1957. After the second fire, Angello established Joe's Coin Center in a store-

front in Passaic, changing the name of his business to American Coin & Stamp Company in 1960. Twelve years later, the store moved to Clifton, where it remains today.

Angello was founder and past president of the Garfield Coin Club, and past president of the Bergen County and Passaic Coin Clubs.

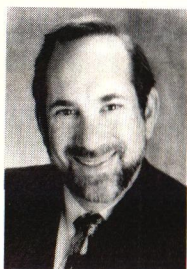
He is survived by his wife of 42 years, Marie; his mother, Mary; a daughter, Cheryl Hawrylko; two sons, Joseph Jr. and Jeffrey; a sister, Patricia Hiller; a brother, Phillip; and four grandchildren. The Angello family can be contacted at American Coin & Stamp Company, The American Building, 1273 Main Ave., Clifton, NJ 07011, telephone 973/772-8100.



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RAPHAEL ELLENBOGEN— ANA 60661

Raphael Ellenbogen died on February 17 at age 74 in Columbus, Ohio. A former synagogue administrator in New York City, he lived the last 10 years in Columbus to be close to his son Sanford.

Ellenbogen was a 1998 recipient of *Numismatic News'* Numismatic Ambassador Award and was active in nearly 20 coin clubs, including the American Numismatic Society, American Israel Numismatic Association, Society of Paper Money Collectors and Central States Numismatic Society. He also was a member of the International Brotherhood of Magicians and had an extensive collection of magic-related items. During World

War II, he performed for soldiers under the name "The Great Raphael."

"He just loved collecting," says his wife, Florence. She notes that he bought the best material he could and, whenever possible, studied and wrote about it. "It was always with a tremendous love and fervor. He had a curiosity and a love for living."

Says friend and fellow collector Gerald Tebben, "Ray wrote about subjects as diverse as paper money errors and Treasury Department specimen books. He was particularly proud of Pine Tree Auction Galleries' 1976 sale of his collection, which consisted primarily of 20th-century Palestinian and Israeli coins, medals and paper money. Included was a Jewish Colonial Trust bond

issued to a family member in 1900, and numerous unique die trials and patterns for 1948-49 Israeli coinage."

Ellenbogen is survived by his wife; and two sons, Sanford and Marvin.

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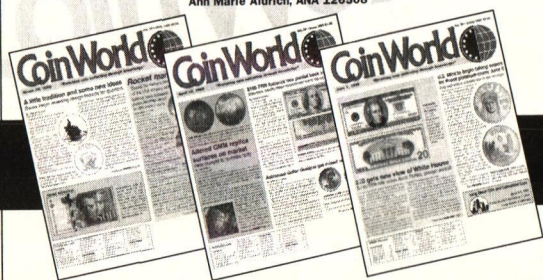
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family affair, unlike in the '20s when hobby meetings resembled high-society men's clubs. The growth of coin collecting reached a peak in 1947-48, and experienced a slight drop-off at the end of the decade.

By the 25th anniversary of National Coin Week in 1949, the country was no longer at war, and the United States had established itself as the world's most powerful industrial and military nation. Americans greeted the end of the war with joy and relief, yet the peace we obtained was threatened in just a few short years by the constant worry of the Cold War with Soviet Russia.

Despite the "Red Scare," Americans found the postwar lifestyle

deeply satisfying. The average standard of living rose to record heights. Correspondingly, this atmosphere of comfort and affluence benefited the hobby of numismatics. There was a measurable resurgence in the popularity of coin clubs around 1952, and coin collecting experienced sustained growth in new memberships through the '50s and mid '60s.

Years of Change

THE TURBULENCE OF the '60s, characterized by racial unrest, deepening involvement in Vietnam and political assassinations of world leaders, had a marked effect on numismatics. When mintmarks were suspended and silver was removed from coinage in 1964, the coin hobby floundered. Excitement over circulating coinage declined. The occa-

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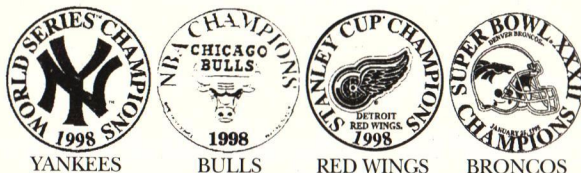
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sional Wheat cent no longer showed up in change. Only the scarcity of a newly discovered variety kept the public's interest in collecting from dying altogether. Club membership declined, and traditional ways of reaching the coin-collecting public seemed to lose appeal.

Social change in the '70s was significant but less dramatic. The Vietnam conflict ended; the generation gap did not. Slow economic growth was bogged down even more by an oil crisis, and the Watergate breakdown culminated in the President's resignation and Americans' general disillusionment with politics.

On the numismatic scene, National Coin Week celebrated its 50th anniversary on April 21, 1974, with the theme "History in Your Hands." That same week President Richard M. Nixon proclaimed the event a national observance. This was great publicity and an indication of the importance of numismatics to American society, but the hobby once again was in transition.

By necessity, coin collecting changed in the '70s and '80s. The precious metal boom brought many investors into the hobby, though many left when gold and silver prices fell. An ever-increasing emphasis on condition became a major variable affecting both the value and enjoyment of coins. Obtaining higher-grade coins became the objective of investor and collector alike. Concerns regarding authenticity and overgrading were inevitable; thus hobbyists were primed to become eager customers of the commercial, third-party grading services that started up in 1986.

Because of the continuing importance of authenticity and preservation, the '90s coin market now focuses on "slabbed" coins of all de-

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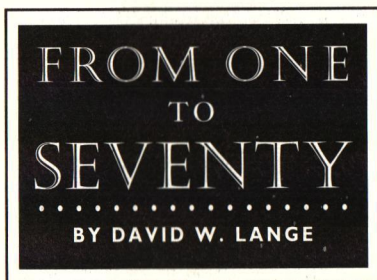
Grading Small-Size Capped Bust Dimes

LAST MONTH I took a look at the Capped Bust half dime series. Since there are many similarities between these coins and dimes of the same design, this is an ideal time to study the larger pieces. Like the half dime, the Capped Bust dime bears a design that originated with models for the half dollar in 1807. However, unlike the half dime, whose production was suspended from 1805 to 1829, the mintage of Capped Bust dimes followed the half dollar by only a couple of years.

These dimes were produced intermittently from 1809 through 1827, using the old technology of an open collar and a separate edge-reeding process. Beginning in 1828, the dime was minted within a close collar that impressed its reeding at the same time the obverse and reverse were struck. This resulted in sharper coins with raised rims and a uniform diameter. Coined from 1828 to 1837, these dimes are commonly called the "small size" Capped Bust type. The 1828 dimes are transitional, combining the dies of the earlier type with the close collar of subsequent issues.

Capped Bust dimes tend to be struck somewhat better than half dimes of the same type, and this simplifies the grading process for circulated coins. Even so, weakness of strike may be apparent above Liberty's eye, and at the eagle's claws and the arrow feathers. To someone unfamiliar with these coins, such weakness can make a dime look more worn than it really is. In such instances, other clues, like the presence of mint luster at or near the affected areas, can reveal that the missing detail is the result of a striking

deficiency. Below the grade of Extremely Fine, striking weakness has a diminished impact on grade,



and what appears to be wear almost certainly is. (The text and photographs in *Official A.N.A. Grading Standards for United States Coins* make the grading of circulated pieces quite simple.)

Mint-state examples of most dates within this series are not especially rare. The dates most frequently available in mint state are 1831-35. The 1835 dime in particular seems to have benefited from a small hoard of nice examples. In the Numismatic Guaranty Corporation (NGC) Census Report for January 1999, this date has the highest number of certified, mint-state pieces, including MS-63 (48), MS-64 (57), MS-65 (15) and MS-66 (2). This contrasts



Actual Size: 17.9mm

Mint-state examples of the small-size Capped Bust dime are not particularly rare. The dates most frequently available are 1831 through 1835.

markedly with totals for the scarcest date, 1837: MS-63 (12), MS-64 (14), MS-65 (10) and MS-66 (3).

Since most 1828-37 Capped Bust dimes were reasonably well made, it's what happened to them subsequently that's the primary cause of grade-level reductions. Perhaps the most common form of "coin abuse" is unskilled cleaning. Silver is naturally reactive, and coins made from this metal tend to tone over a period of years. Shallow, evenly distributed toning actually can enhance a specimen's appearance, often earning it an extra grade point or two. Blotchy, thick or dark toning, however, does not appeal to collectors, and therein lies the problem.

Over the years, numismatists, as well as the general public, have attempted to remove all signs of toning, whether attractive or not. These often clumsy efforts have reduced the aesthetic value of many Capped Bust dimes and, in some instances, rendered them unacceptable to grading services. Also unacceptable are those unnatural-looking coins that have been re-toned through some accelerated process.

Other causes for downgrading include excessive or critically placed contact marks, dull luster and an extremely poor strike (though this last point typically is a minor consideration). The ideal mint-state type coin, irrespective of grade, will have moderate to very bright luster, a natural color (whether toned or "white") and minimal contact marks that are well hidden within the busier parts of the design. Fortunately, enough pieces survive over several dates that the advanced type collector can find suitable specimens. •

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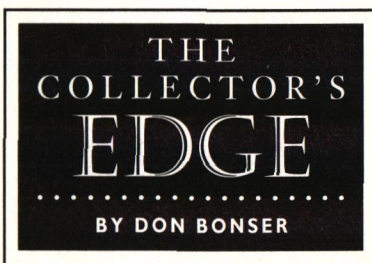
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More Cleaning Cautions

THIS COLUMN'S PRIMARY theme continues to be "if in doubt about cleaning procedures, don't." It's good advice. Unless you know exactly what you're doing, you could make a costly mistake. Your caution—and common sense—will ensure your collection remains a source of enjoyment.

Q. In the ongoing discussion of whether "to clean or not to clean" coins, I'd like to contribute this idea: Motion-picture laboratories run negatives through an ultrasonic cleaning solution that uses resonance to "bounce off" particles without abrasion prior to printing. To adapt

this process to numismatics, what about using reasonably priced denture-cleaning devices to clean coins?



I'm interested in your opinion, but I don't wish to advertise my identity, as this may be a stupid query.

—Someone, Somewhere, California

A. Well, there's no such thing as a stupid question if you don't know the answer. At least that's what I tell myself as my continuing quest for coins leads me to drive 70,000 miles annually, often in search of out-of-the-way shops and shows—and often having to ask for directions along the way.

As far as ultrasonic cleaning goes, I've never tried it, but I am highly suspect of its benefits. My first concern is the composition of the cleaning solution. Even if not abrasive, many liquid cleaners and dissolved compounds can damage a specimen's surface. Also, there is always the worry that the solution could bring

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some of the particles that bounced off the piece back into contact with the coin's surface. Displaced dirt is potentially abrasive and damaging.

Q. Once a coin has been "whizzed," is there anything that can be done to restore the piece?

—C.H., Indiana

A. Unfortunately, no. "Whizzing" is a process that uses a rapidly rotating wire brush to abrade, remove and re-deposit the surface metal of a coin. The result is increased brilliance but bright, unnatural luster. (A telltale sign of whizzing is an accumulation—or small ridge—of metal on the edges of design elements.) Whizzing was popular in the 1950s and '60s, when brilliant coins were popular and little attention was paid to what

created the effect.

Toning can lessen the visual impact of whizzing, but once a coin has undergone this procedure, it is impossible to reverse the process. Whizzing irreparably alters its surface.

IN CLOSING, I'd like to share a comment from C.M. (via Internet):

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I hope those who read this column find C.M.'s information helpful. Remember that when using this or any type of holder or album, be sure your storage safeguards include appropriate temperature and humidity control, as well as regular monitoring procedures.

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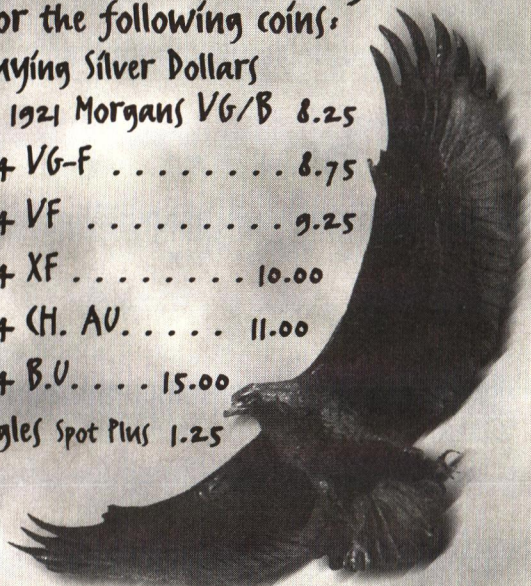
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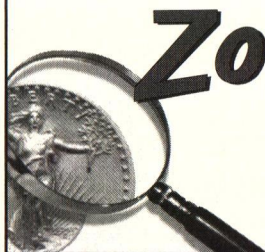
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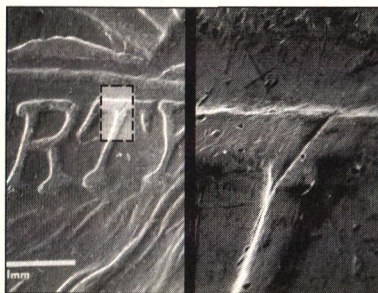
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A Review of 1893-S Morgan Dollars

The 1893-S dollar is the most commonly altered coin in the Morgan series, and as such also one of the most widely publicized. Nevertheless, since so many 1893-S alterations are submitted to the ANA for grading (by NGC) or authentication (by ANAAB), both at the ANA's Colorado Springs headquarters and national conventions, a review of its diagnostics is appropriate.



Genuine 1893-S dollar displays die chips in bottom left serif of R and a diagonal die scratch at the intersection of horizontal and vertical strokes of T in Liberty's headband.



Genuine 1893-S Morgan dollar.

Despite its mintage of 100,000 coins, only one obverse die is known. Because the date was hand-punched into the die, correct date position is one of the keys to authenticating the 1893-S Morgan dollar, as well as many other United States coins.

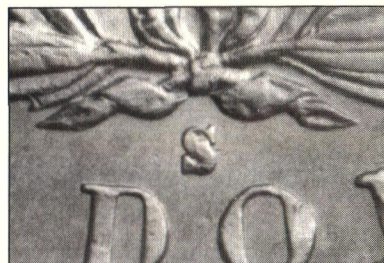
On genuine specimens, the numeral 1 in the date is directly above a rim denticle. The subsequent numerals gradually rise to the level of the 3, the farthest from the rim. Even though the 1 may be in the correct position, the 3 also should be examined closely, as it may be an alteration of another date, such as 1890-S or 1898-S. Although this is extremely rare, occurring only on about 5 percent of altered dollars, it is worth consideration. Seams, toolmarks and incorrect numeral style all are diagnostics of alteration.

After checking the date, take a look at the R and T in LIBERTY on the headband. Genuine 1893-S dollars exhibit die chips in the bottom left serif of the R and a diagonal die scratch at the intersection of the horizontal and vertical strokes of the T. Since these letters are in a recessed portion of the coin, the diag-

nostics are protected from wear and usually can be seen in varying degrees in specimens grading as low as Very Good. ANAAB has seen several specimens on which the die scratch in the T has been worn down by harsh, abrasive or acidic cleaning, but normally the die chips in the R are reasonably discernible.

Finally, the mintmark can be a deciding factor in the authentication of 1893-S Morgan dollars. While the style of the mintmark can be compared to a genuine 1893-S, comparison to other S-mint Morgans is not particularly useful because mintmarks from other years vary in placement, size and shape. Furthermore, the mintmark may have been removed from another dollar and affixed to the specimen in question.

More effective is looking for seams and toolmarks around the mintmark, or evidence of artificial toning, cleaning, polishing or whizzing, which can be used to hide mintmark addition. Discoloration on and around the mintmark should



Note style and position of date and mintmark on genuine 1893-S dollar.



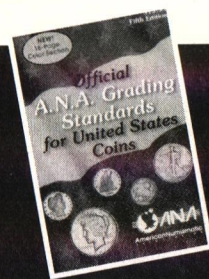
Embossed "S" mintmark, as seen from inside coin.

arouse suspicion, since it may be the result of applied heat (used to affix the mintmark) or oxidation of the adhesive. The mintmark's surface should not look foreign to the metal of the surrounding surfaces.

Finally, it is unlikely, but not im-

possible, that the mintmark has been embossed. Embossing involves drilling through the rim of a coin and pushing metal up from the inside. An embossed mintmark does not show seams and matches the surrounding surfaces. To detect an embossed mintmark, look for a filled hole on the rim, or tooled or recut reeding.

Unfortunately, the 1893-S is not the only coin in the Morgan dollar series that is susceptible to date or mintmark alteration. Others include the 1879-CC, 1880-CC, 1881-CC, 1883-S, 1884-S, 1885-CC, 1886-O, 1889-CC, 1894, 1895, 1896-O, 1897-O, 1903-O and 1904-S. To submit coins for authentication, use the application on page 441 of this issue or contact ANA Collector Services, telephone 719/632-2646, fax 719/634-4085 or E-mail anaab@money.org. •



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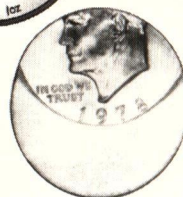
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"Heritage Numismatic Auctions of Dallas, Texas, originally agreed to hold this **Library fund-raiser** at the ANA's National Money Show in Sacramento in March," says ANA Interim Executive Director Edward C. Rochette. "However, the ANA staff re-examined the time needed to generate the donated auction lots and decided to wait until our convention this summer, where Heritage again is ANA's official auctioneer. We also felt the World's Fair of Money® was a better venue for this special event."

Proceeds from the fund-raising auction in Chicago will be used to help underwrite the costs of the ANA Library's oral history project, "Circle of Friends." Numismatic and ANA notables will be interviewed and recorded for the project by the ANA at its conventions, Summer Seminars and other hobby events. Audiotapes of the conversations will be available to members through the Library's normal circulation procedure and added to the Association's web site.

"Our goal for this auction is 500 lots with a value of \$100 to \$250 per coin," Rochette says. "The ANA's firm development manager, Diane Smiley, will be at our Sacramento

show soliciting donations for the event. We hope our members will join us in participating as consignors, bidders or both in this history-saving project."

In other ANA news, Heritage Numismatic Auctions is accepting consignments for the Association's **108th Anniversary Convention Sale**, at which the firm hopes to have its new interactive Internet bidding procedure up and running. On-line participants will be able to view opening bids and execute their own bids directly from their computers. They will receive automatic E-mail confirmation of their bids, plus notification if they are no longer the high bidder. For more information, contact Heritage at 100 Highland Park Village, 2nd Floor, Dallas, TX 75205-2788, telephone 800/872-6467, fax 214/443-8406.

Gehringer & Kellar Numismatic Auctions of Allentown, Pennsylvania, has been selected to conduct the official sale at the **Garden State Numismatic Association (GSNA)** annual convention to be held April 29 through May 1 at the Marriott Hotel and Convention Annex in Somerset, New Jersey. The sale, scheduled for April 30, will contain up to 900 lots of United States coins. To learn more, contact Gehringer & Kellar, Inc., 1801 Tilghman St., Allentown, PA 18104, 800/275-9501.

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A Despotic Donation

The ANA Museum recently received its very first gift of a coin issued by a ruler whose title literally is (and in this case, exclusively) that of a despot. This coin, a denier tournois of Philip of Taranto, overlord of Frankish Greece at the turn of the 13th century, was donated in the name of John F. Brady Jr. by Joan Brady, who inherited the coin mounted in a modern jewelry bezel.

Philip was the favorite son of Charles II, d'Anjou, king of Naples, who claimed dominion by treaty and alliance over nearly all the lands of the Latin Orient (mainly Greece). These were the territories that had been seized from the East Roman (Byzantine) Empire by the leaders of the Fourth Crusade and held through a vast series of squabbles thereafter.

In 1294, upon Philip's marriage to Thamar, heiress of the Despotate of Epirus, Charles conveyed power over his Greek holdings to his son and in 1306 gave him the title "Despot of Romania." Part of Thamar's dowry included the town of Naupactus, better known as Lepanto (but called "Nepanti" by the westerners). Here Philip struck an extensive series of coins in the French style widely admired and copied by the various rulers of the Latin East from about 1260 to 1340. Philip also was named Prince of Achaia in 1307. His coinage from Lepanto was minted with and without the latter title.

Philip's Despotate of Romania included the feudal regions of Achaia (basically the Morea, or Peloponnesian Greece), Athens



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When Joan Brady inherited this billion denier tournois of Philip of Taranto (ANA Museum Accession No. 1999.5.1), struck circa 1306, it was mounted in a modern jewelry bezel.

(most of east central Greece, apart from the Island of Euboea), Albania (more or less the present state), the Island of Corfu and the mountainous area of Epirus to its east, as well as the Aegean Islands. Of these, the Principality of Achaia, with its capital and primary mint at the fortress and port city of Clarentza, clearly was the foremost domain. Through a complicated succession of maneuvers, Philip promoted and demoted a series of feudatories, holding the title "Despot of Romania" himself only from 1306 to 1313, but continuing to rule as overlord until 1331.

Philip's coinage as despot was issued with a slightly more debased silver content than those of other territories about that time. In general, however, it matched the standard features of the typical contemporary issues imitating the French royal emissions of Tours.

Legends encircled a central cross on the obverse and a stylized repre-

sentation of the Chapel of Tours on the reverse. On the ANA Museum's example, the inscriptions read :+(lis)Ph'S.P.TAR DESP. ("Philip, prince of Taranto, despot") on the obverse and -(nail) NEPANTICIVIS. ("City of Lepanto") on the reverse.

In recent years, excellent books on numismatics of the Crusaders and their successor states have appeared, notably *Coinage of the Latin East* by D.M. Metcalf (Royal Numismatic Society Special Publication No. 28, Oxford: Ashmolean Museum, University of Oxford, 1995; ANA Library Cat. No. JA80.M47) and *Coins of the Crusader States* by Alex G. Malloy, Irene Fraley Preston and A.J. Seltman (New York: Attic Books, Ltd., 1994; ANA Lib. Cat. No. JA80.M2).

Our specimen is listed as No. 111a by Malloy and corresponds with Nos. 1082-90 (Variety 1b) from the Ashmolean Museum Collection listed by Metcalf. Coins of this class have no indication of the despot's Achaean title and display angular-looking lettering. They are differentiated from other issues by the absence of the lis or nail at either side of the initial crosses, or a lis with double dots above it, and without the more complete word form DESPO in the legend. Frankish deniers are rife with privy marks of these kinds and other variations that have not been fully elucidated.

Brady's gift is much appreciated, adding as it does to the Museum's small but interesting collection of coins of the Latin Orient. The recent bezel was removed and returned to the donor, its relation to the history of the coin thus documented. The denier is relatively well-struck and -preserved, and it appears to show a better quality of silver than might be expected of this billion issue.

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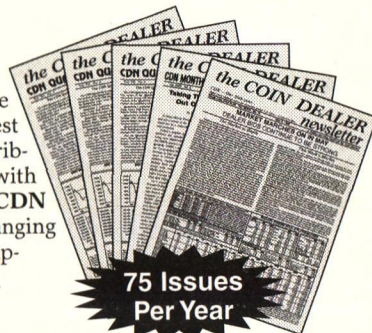
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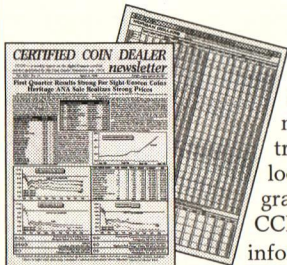
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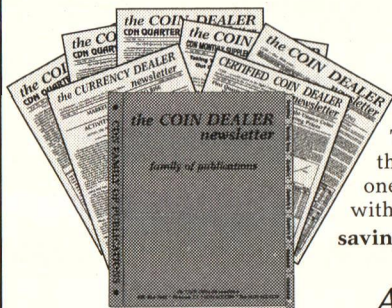
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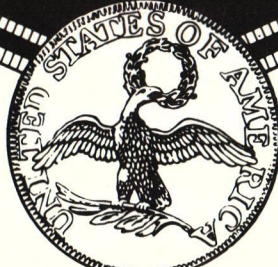
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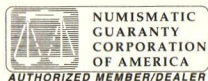


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Tower: "No, it's a military installation."

Pilot: "Same thing."

A CAN OF Pledge™ furniture polish was observed in the offices of the American Numismatic Association Authentication Bureau (ANAAB). Perhaps it's used to create "a fresh, lemony cent." Also seen at ANAAB was a 19th-century canvas bag from the Carson City Mint. The "S" in Carson had been printed upside down, thus creating the first known error coin-bag.

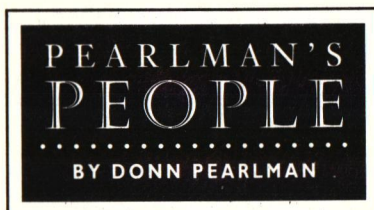
A DELIGHTFUL EVENING was spent in Colorado Springs with ANA Interim Executive Director Edward C. Rochette and his wife, Mary Ann, who showed me an album of fascinating photos taken during a two-week African safari last year.

Rochette: "One night, our tents were surrounded by hyenas."

Me: "I'm sure you found it similar to dealing with ANA politics."

THERE WAS A full staff meeting one morning during my ANA headquarters visit—an impressive gathering of several dozen, dedicated pro-

fessionals who, under Rochette's leadership, keep the Association on its course of numismatic education



and assist the ANA's 28,500 members. Unfortunately, the staff's excellent day-in, day-out work has been overshadowed by other ANA-related events in the past year. But let's keep this in perspective. The ANA is 108 years old. I am confident the Association will survive and grow despite its current problems.

THE LAST TIME I visited ANA headquarters was during the delightful Membership Appreciation Day and barbecue immediately following the 1996 Anniversary Convention in mile-high Denver. I have fond memories of congenial, apron-wearing ANA Board members acting as hosts by helping serve lunch. (A mandatory requirement for Board membership is the ability to dish it out.)

THERE'S ONE TOWN in America where coins and paper money are the main attraction—Las Vegas. Coins in the slot machines, \$20 and \$100 bills on the blackjack and dice tables, all moving faster than a one-eyed dog in a butcher shop. All those coins in the casinos, and none of them in blue Whitman folders. All those people clutching plastic cups and canisters brimming with nickels and quarters, and no one pulling out a magnifying glass to look for

doubled-die varieties.

Surprisingly, some slot machines still accept pennies. (Yeah, I know a handful of numismatic purists cringe when "penny" is used to refer to a United States coin. I don't care. The last several Mint Directors even called them that. The big 18th- and 19th-century copper coins are "large cents," but the copper-coated zinc pieces now churned out by the billions, and which few people stoop to pick up in the street, are "pennies.")

Ever wonder what would happen if the federal government actually stopped making that denomination? Would it be the end of penny-ante poker? Penny loafers? Penny stocks? Penny Marshall?

LAS VEGAS GAMBLING Rule #1: Never, ever play slot machines at McCarran International Airport. The slots there are not considered "loose," and you're a captive audience: you can't walk to a casino next door and toss coins in their machines in hopes of a bigger payout. That noted, a young couple killing some time while waiting for a flight hit a \$625 jackpot on a 75-cent bet. No word if the payout contained the new Delaware quarters—or if the couple had to pay the airline an excess baggage fee to accommodate their 2,500 jackpot coins.

PERSONAL NOTE: I'm flattered by the unexpected E-mail and fan letters generated by the recent resumption of "Pearlman's People." I hear the column is anticipated to win the Nobel Prize for Literature, assuming the letter-writers can be seated as Nobel Prize Committee judges. Know anyone in Sweden? •

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